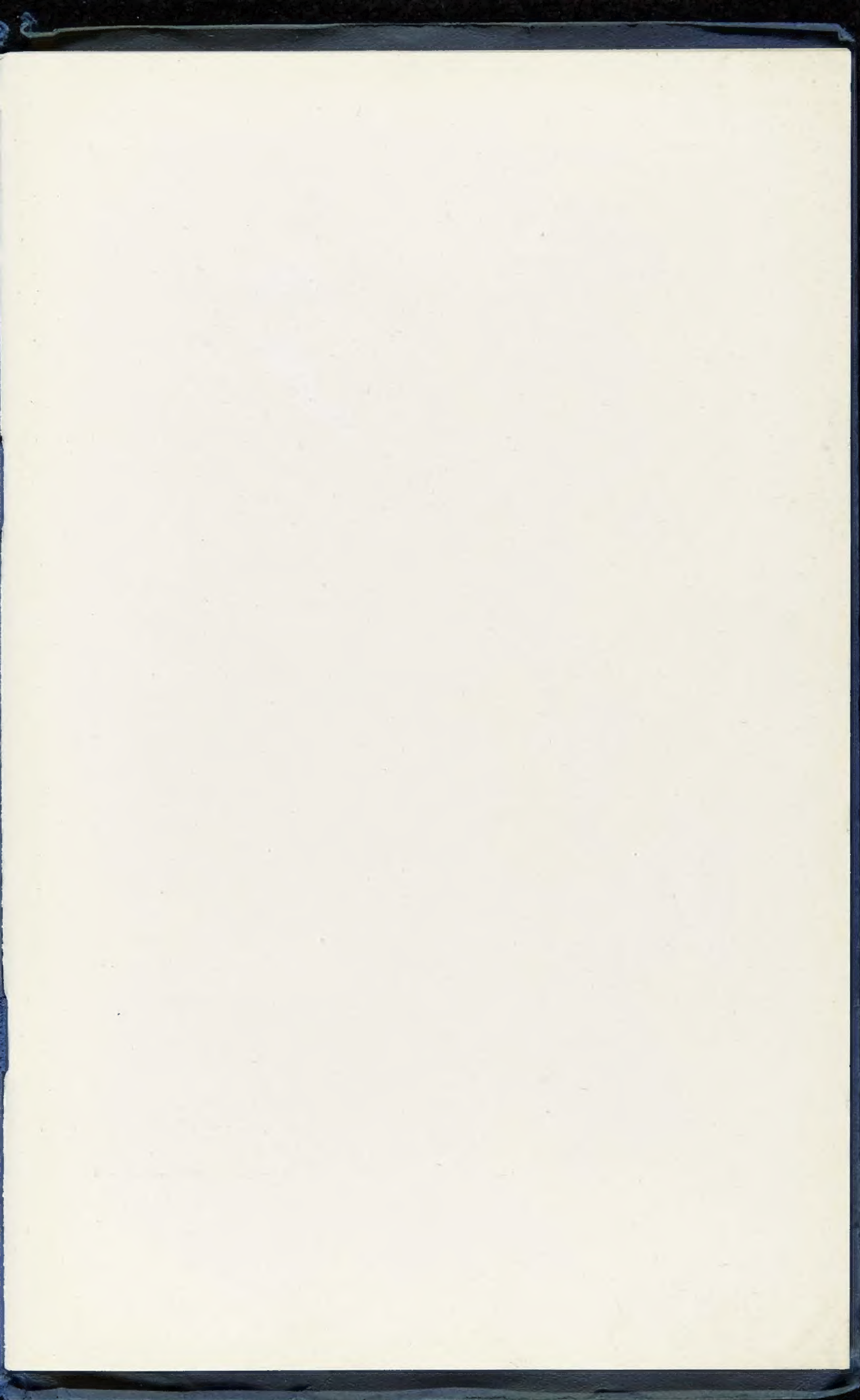




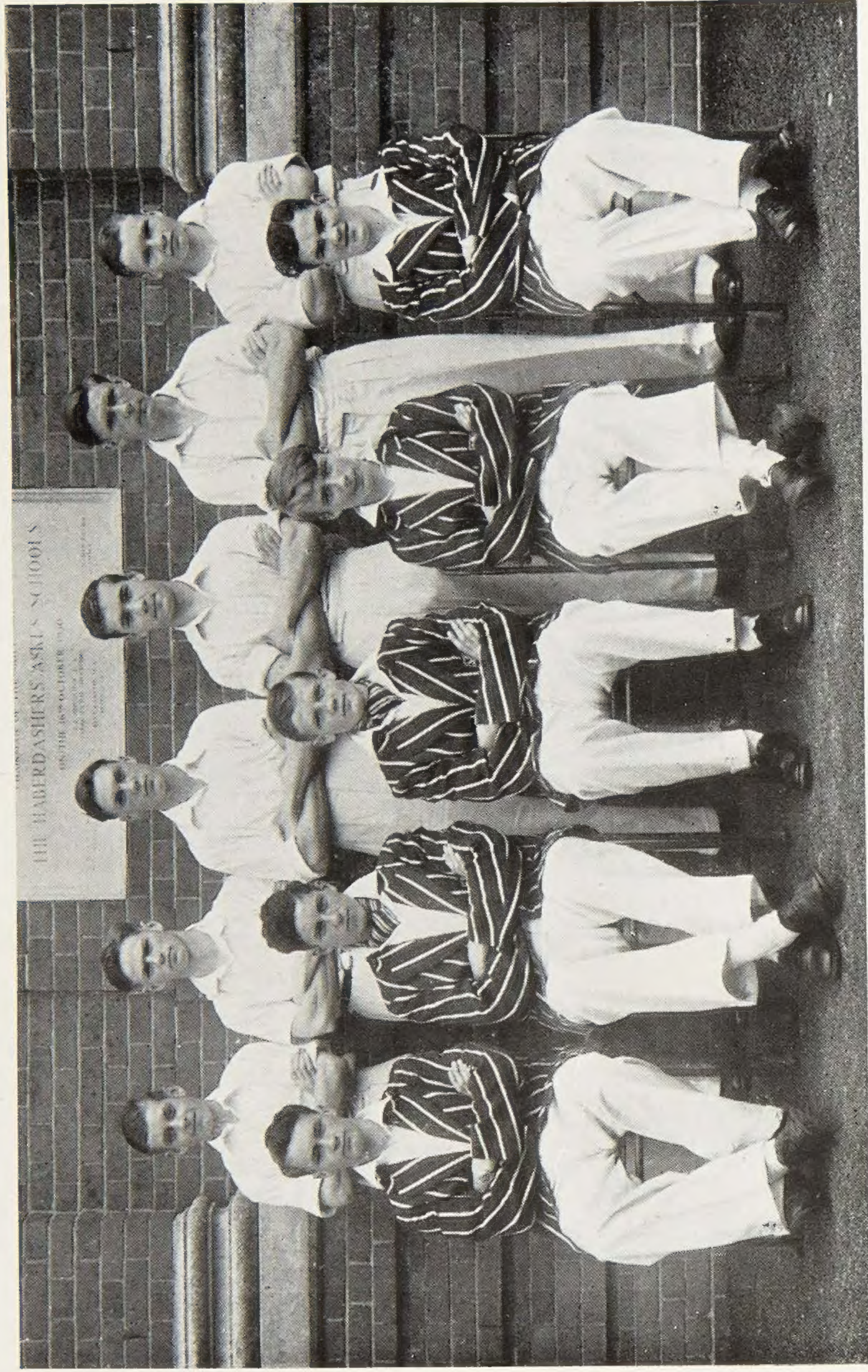
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EDITORIAL

WITH the coming of Autumn and of the Rugby Football season we have finally rung down the curtain on another School Year.

As usual, it has been a very eventful year. In the short space of twelve months a tremendous amount can occur in the life of a schoolboy and in our School he certainly leads a very busy life. Let us review very briefly his career.

As a first-former and new boy he finds his friends amongst those about him and gets to know only those masters who teach him. He looks up to the senior boys of the Lower School but feels that the prefects and boys of the Upper School, as well as the masters he does not know, are very distant. By the time he reaches the second forms, however, he knows his way well about the School and to every new boy he is an "old hand." He is steadily gaining confidence in himself and in the third forms he becomes one of the important members of the Lower School, playing a part in its day to day existence and enjoying the advantages of many societies, including the use of the School tennis courts. But the Upper School and its staff still seem a long way off.

Then comes the great day when he takes the big step to the fourths and so to the Upper School. Once more he is on the bottom rung of the ladder. He finds that now much more depends on his own efforts and less is done for him personally. It is up to him as an individual to find his feet and accustom himself to his new life. New subjects, new games, new societies, the Corps, the S.S.U., are there for his interest in addition to those to which he has already grown accustomed. There is now much more for him to do than he can usefully tackle or find time for, so he must learn to select and his main interests begin to crystallize in games, hobbies and academic pursuits.

So on he goes through years of experiment, trial and error in the fourths and transitus forms, sometimes caring less for work and more for games and other out-of-school activities, until he reaches the fifths. It is here that life assumes a less carefree note with the coming of his first external examination in the shape of the General Certificate of Education at the ordinary level (as the old School Certificate is now called). This is the beginning of serious study for the average boy and for some, but not for all, the end. If it is the first of many such hurdles to be overcome, the successful boy may go on to the sixth and there be confronted with another "parting of the ways." He must there choose "Modern" or "Science" in accordance with his special bent. When he has chosen, work goes steadily on, but on a higher and much more interesting plane, while new responsibilities, with a greater share in the running of the School, begin to take up more of his time. He now perhaps captains a team, runs a society or club, acts as an N.C.O. in the Corps or as a Section Leader in the Special Service Unit, or maybe

assists the School Prefects in sundry duties and in the maintenance of good discipline and order throughout the School. He begins to feel himself no longer a mere cog in the machine but part of the power that keeps it going. He finally feels that he has got somewhere with a wealth of experience behind him which will stand him in good stead in preparation for the world outside ; and his undoubted conclusion will be that the more an individual puts into his life at School, the more he will get out of it.

Compared with a man's lifetime the years at School are but a brief span ; yet enough can happen in each of those years to make our School career seem a complete life in itself. When it is all over and we leave the School gates behind us for the last time, we feel we really can believe our elders when they say " those were the happiest days of your life."

G.B.J.

SCHOOL OFFICERS

Captain of the School :

D. F. GAINSBOROUGH

School Prefects :

M. J. BOVINGTON

C. JARRETT

R. E. PARTINGTON

I. M. GLOINSON

H. NORMAN

A. J. WOOLFORD

House Captains :

Calverts : M. J. BOVINGTON

Meadows : D. F. GAINSBOROUGH

Hendersons : J. C. BEAL

Russells : A. J. WOOLFORD

Joblings : P. C. SHIELLS

Strouts : I. M. GLOINSON

Captains of Games :

Rugby : D. F. GAINSBOROUGH

Rowing : I. M. GLOINSON

Shooting and Swimming : P. S. HERD

Cross-Country : C. JARRETT

Games Secretary : M. J. BOVINGTON

Senior N.C.O., C.C.F. : D. F. GAINSBOROUGH

School Librarian : B. W. R. BENNETT

School Recorder : R. E. PARTINGTON

DE OMNIBUS REBUS

On Friday, June 30th, the Old Mercers' Civic Guild invited the Master of the Haberdashers' Company, the Clerk, and the Headmaster of the School, together with three Liverymen of the Old Boys' Club, to attend a dinner at the Tallow Chandlers' Hall.

The purpose of the Old Mercers' Civic Guild is to encourage City Companies' Schools to urge their old boys to take up the Freedom of the City of London and to become Liverymen of the City Companies. It is hoped that Old Haberdashers will respond to this lead.

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On Thursday, November 2nd, the Headmaster was installed as President of the Haberdashers' Old Boys' Club for the year 1950-51. The retiring President, Mr. A. G. Jenkins, M.B.E., held a reception at the School which was attended by a large number of Old Boys of many generations.

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On November 10th the School was honoured by a visit from the Chairman of the Governors, Colonel P. C. Bull, D.S.O. He was accompanied by the new Clerk to the Governors, Commander H. Prevett, O.B.E., R.N.

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At the end of the summer term we were sorry to lose Mr. Matthews, who is now Senior Mathematics Master at St. Dunstan's College, and Mr. Parsons, who is now teaching Modern Languages at Dunstable Grammar School.

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This term we welcomed back Mr. McNair after a year at a French School in Grenoble, and Mr. Lear after a year at Loughborough College. Mr. McNair has resumed the teaching of Spanish and Mr. Lear has introduced a new department of Crafts, with a properly equipped pottery room and an additional room fitted with spinning wheels, hand-looms and facilities for puppetry.

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Mr. Hickman (O.H.), who temporarily succeeded Mr. Lear in the Woodwork department, happily remains with us, in charge of that department, leaving Mr. Lear free to develop the new Crafts section.

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Mr. Bothwell of Christ's College, Cambridge, has joined the Staff this term in succession to Mr. Matthews.

This term has also seen a fresh influx of student masters from London and Cambridge Universities. Mr. Flett of Clare College, Cambridge, and Mr. Dodge of King's College, London, will be with us for this term only, but Messrs. Collingwood, Farnborough and Moffatt, of the London Institute of Education, will remain with us until next summer term.

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Mr. Dudderidge is to be congratulated on his re-election to the Governing Board of the International Canoe Federation. He is one of the two representatives for Europe, and at the International Canoe Congress held in Copenhagen in August he represented both Britain and America. He recently gave his second demonstration with kayaks in the B.B.C. Television Sports Magazine.

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The following are to be congratulated on the award of State Scholarships as a result of the Higher School Examinations held in May : J. I. Bausor, R. W. A. Humphries, M. L. Levin.

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J. U. M. Smith, Sixth Science, enjoyed a very successful and exciting visit to the U.S.A. this summer as representative of England at the International Youth Camp fostered by "Youth Incorporated Ltd." of Nashville, Tennessee.

On November 16th he gave an interesting talk to the Upper School on his impressions of America, and was followed by Mr. Bradford Perkins of Rochester, New York State, an American Research Student, who, besides commenting on Smith's experiences, gave us much useful information about the American educational system.

Mr. N. V. Scarfe, M.A., Senior Lecturer at the London University Institute of Education, who has travelled widely in North America, was in the chair. In his concluding remarks he emphasised the essential friendliness, freedom and love of peace in the U.S.A.

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J. U. M. Smith is also to be congratulated on his election as joint Hon. Secretary of the London District Council of the Council for Education in World Citizenship for 1950-51. He succeeds J. C. Taylor and is the second Haberdasher to hold this post.

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At the first Junior Conference held by the London District Council of C.E.W.C. in June three members of 4s were selected by Wynford Vaughan Thomas, the B.B.C. commentator, to take part in a special overseas broadcast to America.

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D. F. Gainsborough has been appointed School Captain for the year 1950-51.

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The following are School Prefects for the year :—D. F. Gainsborough, M. J. Bovington, H. Norman, A. J. Woolford, R. E. Partington, I. M. Gloinson, C. Jarrett.

The following are Sub-Prefects for the year :—J. C. Beal, G. B. Morrison, J. I. Bausor, J. U. M. Smith, J. W. Turner, G. P. Warren, J. E. C. Williams, A. R. B. Cloote, D. Cullingford, M. S. King, B. R. Miller, P. C. Shiells, R. C. Fine, J. A. Rose, D. R. S. Harper, J. S. Hutchinson, J. P. Simons.

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D. F. Gainsborough has been appointed Captain of Rugby and H. Norman Vice-Captain.

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A. J. Woolford was appointed Captain of Athletics, C. Jarrett Captain of Cross-Country, H. Norman Captain of Basket Ball and P. Hurd Captain of Swimming. I. M. Gloinson has been re-appointed Captain of Rowing.

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Cricket Colours were re-awarded to G. B. Jones, D. F. Gainsborough and P. Maddison, while new Colours were awarded to D. A. Lundie and M. S. Lumsden.

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Jones and Gainsborough are to be congratulated on their selection for the Hornsey C.C. Schools' XI and the Young Amateurs of Middlesex XI. Jones had the distinction of playing at Lords v. the Young M.C.C. Professionals. Lundie also was selected for the Hornsey C.C. Schools' XI.

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Rowing Colours were awarded to I. M. Gloinson, A. R. B. Cloote, D. R. S. Harper, J. L. Mainwaring and J. Gibson.

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Tennis Colours were re-awarded to P. Robson and S. Freilich, and new Colours awarded to F. Benghiat, L. D. L. Supran and A. T. Williams.

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Meadows are to be congratulated on winning the House Cricket competition. They defeated Calverts in the final match.

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Calverts, however, won the House Swimming competition, with Strouts as runners-up, whilst Meadows won all the Senior Challenge Cups. The Shooting competition was also won by Calverts.

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Calverts are finally to be congratulated on winning the Dunton Shield. Meadows were runners-up.

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Following on the various political addresses given to the Upper School during the summer term by Mr. Henry Brooke, Conservative M.P. for Hampstead, Mr. Campbell Johnson, Liberal, and by Mr. Hector Hughes, Labour M.P. for Aberdeen, a further series was opened by Mr. Ian Orr-Ewing, Conservative M.P. for Hendon North, on October 31st.

Field Day for the C.C.F. and S.S.U. was held on Friday, November 3rd, and the usual Certificate "A" Examination took place on Friday, December 8th, while members of the S.S.U. were examined for the Red Cross First Aid Certificate at elementary and advanced levels.

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Remembrance Day was celebrated by a special service on Friday, November 10th and the collection in aid of Poppy Day amounted to £15 15s. 0d.

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On Thursday, November 23rd a Piano Recital was given by Sidney Harrison to illustrate two hundred years of piano music.

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On Tuesday, November 28th, the Headmaster and six Prefects were invited to represent the School at the ceremony of the Publication of the Master and Wardens of the Worshipful Company of Haberdashers, held in the Vintner's Hall.

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Mr. Hugh Lyon, late Headmaster of Rugby School, visited the School on Monday, December 4th, to give a Careers talk on behalf of the Public Schools Appointments Bureau.

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The School Christmas Dance took place in the Hall on Saturday, December 9th.

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Members of the Upper School saw some very vivid and impressive colour films, entitled "God of Creation" and "God of the Atom," presented by "Fact and Faith Films," on November 15th and December 11th.

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The Dramatic Society presented Sheridan's "The Rivals" in the School Hall on December 14th, 15th and 16th. Mr. Witney was the producer. A full report will appear in our next issue.

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The Annual School Carol Service, led by the School Choir, conducted by Dr. McLellan, took place as usual in the Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, on Monday, December 18th, 1950.

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Early in the spring term Mr. Townroe, Director of the Franco-British Society, will again visit the School to give a talk on France.

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The School Choral and Dramatic Societies will unite under the joint direction of Dr. McLellan and Mr. Moody to present the Gilbert and Sullivan Opera "Iolanthe" on March 13th, 14th and 15th. This is a new departure which deserves every success, and it may lay the foundations for a new School tradition.

The Annual Dinner of the Haberdashers' Old Boys' Club will take place in the School Hall on Saturday, February 3rd. Last year this proved a most popular innovation and as this year the Headmaster himself will preside it is hoped that a very large number of Old Boys will attend.

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The Spring Term begins on Wednesday, January 10th and ends on April 4th. There will be a short break for Easter from March 23rd to March 26th.

The Summer Term will commence on Wednesday, May 2nd and end on July 25th.

The Autumn Term will begin on September 19th and end on December 19th.

SPEECH DAY

In spite of inclement weather, which led to a last minute change in the plans to hold the proceedings out-of-doors, a very successful Speech Day was held at the School on Monday afternoon, July 10th.

Rain descended just as the School Chaplain, the Rev. A. S. Taylor, began the opening prayers. The proceedings were, therefore, somewhat hurriedly transferred to the School Hall, where only the prize-winners and their parents could be accommodated. The remainder of the School conducted their parents and friends round the Exhibition of School work and other activities, which had been arranged for the occasion in other parts of the building.

The programme for the Prize-Distribution had to be curtailed in the circumstances, and the Headmaster stated that he would not deliver a detailed report on the School's work and activities, as such details could be read in *THE SKYLARK* or observed in the Exhibition. He began by welcoming the new Chairman of the Governors, Colonel P. C. Bull, D.S.O., and our principal guest, Alderman Sir George Aylwen, Bart., last year's Lord Mayor of London. He also warmly welcomed members of the Governing Body and paid tribute to their former Chairman, Mr. F. E. Tudor. A debt of gratitude was also acknowledged to Mr. G. T. Eagleton, retiring Clerk to the Governors, and a cordial welcome given to his successor, Commander H. Prevett, O.B.E., R.N.

Dr. Taylor then referred to the new members of his Staff, Lt.-Col. Allsopp, Mr. G. C. Hickman and Mr. J. J. Parsons, and paid tribute to departing members, Mr. G. Matthews and the Rev. A. S. Taylor, who had been School Chaplain for the past seven years and was now about to sail to an appointment in South Africa. In the place of the Rev. A. S. Taylor he welcomed the Rev. H. E. Farrington. The Headmaster then proceeded to comment on certain outstanding aspects of School life. He said that he fully endorsed the remarks recently made by the Headmaster of Harrow on the new School Leaving Certificate and pointed out that the new age limit had prevented no less than fifty boys in the School from sitting the

examination this summer. Dr. Taylor referred to the School successes of 1949-50 in Rugby, Cricket, Boxing and other activities and drew attention to the record number of Old Haberdashers now "up" at Oxford and Cambridge—21 being resident at Oxford and 22 at Cambridge. He concluded by apologising for the disturbance and discomfort caused by the wet afternoon.

The Chairman, Colonel Bull, thanked Dr. Taylor for his lucid report, paid tribute to him and to the Staff for the great work they were doing, thanked the Rev. A. S. Taylor for all he had done for the School and wished his successor every prosperity. He also expressed his own thanks for the very warm welcome he had received and promised to serve the School to the best of his ability.

Colonel Bull then introduced the Speaker, Sir George Aylwen.

After Sir George Aylwen had presented the Prizes and House Trophies he spoke to the parents in that humourous, direct and forthright manner for which he became famous during his year of office as Lord Mayor. The main theme of his remarks to parents was that freedom requires discipline. There was, he said, a lack of discipline in this country today. It began in the home, and whatever the type of school or schoolmaster, the child was bound to suffer. It was essential, he continued, that there should be the fullest co-operation between parents and school to produce the right type of product and to secure the proper infiltration of the right kind of matter, so that the child should be prepared to play his part efficiently in the future. With the world in its present dangerous state everyone, declared the speaker, must be properly prepared with the right germ of service. The past may have been all right in some respects, but the future is much more important for us all today, and it is to the future we must look whilst learning from the past to sublimate the future and retain a proper sense of proportion. Sir George Aylwen then read to the parents the speech he had prepared to deliver to the boys of the School. Arrangements were made for the School to listen to this talk at a special assembly which Sir George kindly promised to attend on the following Monday, July 17th. The speech was as follows :—

"Today I would speak to you boys not of your School's great past or of the men who, having had the privilege of being educated at Haberdashers' Aske's Hampstead School, have become known to the world ; I would speak to you of the future. Many of you lads will shortly begin your struggle with life, and it is well you should realise just what you will have to struggle against. If prosperity is to come again to this country it will come through the efforts of your generation, and those efforts must be directed not mainly towards the great cities but towards the highways of commerce here in England, in our Dominions and in foreign countries, towards agriculture and the means of food production. No boy, whatever his station, can expect to walk complacently through life without making an effort to become an asset to his country. His hands

were not given him primarily to hold a cricket bat ; they were given him to toil with, to wrest from land and sea his sustenance, and it is because so few make the effort that England's greatness is on the wane. She is carrying too many parasites and I beg of you not to swell the number. Turn your eyes from the cities ; get to the wider spaces of the earth ; realise the dignity of real craftsmanship in all you undertake ; let your mind dwell on the pride and contentment that comes from it, as opposed to the drudgery, the soul-searing life of the cities.

" The Great War is past history to you, but the whole world is still suffering from the shock of it. Revolutions, some bloody, some peaceful, are the order of the day and even the high morale of this country is being sorely tried. Youth must shoulder its responsibilities from the word " Go," and that is why I want to speak to you seriously for a moment or two. The great spirit of this England of ours is not dead, but it sleeps too soundly and it is up to you lads to take your part in sounding the Reveille. Self-sacrifice, courage and loyalty lie near the heart of every Englishman, whether he be a public-schoolboy or not ; but whereas it needs the big drum and the great occasion to rouse the whole, it should require no such influences to keep the country's need in front of the public-schoolboy.

" You Haberdashers' Aske's boys have the great advantage of receiving your education from some of the best masters in England. Your Headmaster is second to none. You have the additional advantage of tradition in your School ; but all these advantages will be wasted unless you take control, at the earliest possible moment, of your own mind, develop it and make it independent, become an individualist and not an automaton, reason out your own line of thought and conduct and pursue it, keeping in mind the principles laid down for your general conduct in life in your great School. Keep clear of mob influence, and don't rely on a vivid headline in a newspaper for your day's thought. Try to arrange your life so that you can afford to be uninterested in all things that do not carry the seal of integrity ; it may be the most expensive of luxuries but the most worth having. By keeping in mind your purpose in life you will make life worth while and, although few attain spectacular greatness, many will attain what is far more comforting and satisfying, a knowledge of your own worth.

" You younger boys have, I hope, many years of happy school days before you ; but when your time comes to go out into the world you will, I hope, go as Haberdashers should go, with independence of thought and freedom of action, ready to do your part in regaining for your Country the glory of her great past.

" The famous statesman, Disraeli, said :—

" We live in an age when to be young and to be indifferent can no longer be synonymous. We must prepare for the coming hour. The claims for the future are represented by suffering millions and the youth of a nation are the Trustees of Posterity." These words

apply with greater force than ever today, they are worth remembering. Keep in your minds also those great and stirring words of Shakespeare's Henry the Fifth, before Harfleur; that exhortation which ends with these lines :—

And you, good yeomen
Whose limbs were made in England, show us here
The mettle of your pasture; let us swear
That you are worth your breeding; which I doubt not,
For there is none of you so mean and base
That hath not noble lustre in your eyes.
I see you stand like greyhounds in the slips
Straining upon the start. The Game's afoot,
Follow your spirit and upon this charge
Cry 'God for Harry, England and St. George'.

Votes of thanks were ably expressed by M. J. Dare, School Captain for 1948-49 and G. B. Jones, School Captain for 1949-50. Parents and friends dispersed to view the special exhibition of school work or watch the many attractive scientific and recreational demonstrations. One of the most remarkable exhibits was an electronic brain, invented by Pearce of the Sixth Form, which could play noughts and crosses with any opponent and never lose. But all ages played their part from the Preparatory Department seven-year olds to the Sixth Formers of eighteen, and most subjects in the curriculum had something to show.

G.S.C.

PRIZE LIST, 1948-1949

PREPARATORY FORMS

Davis, J. M.	...	Form Prize.	Tarlow, J.	...	...	Form Prize.
Jones, G.	...	" "	Williams, C. S.	...	...	" "
Leverton, K. H.	...	" "	Leverton, K. H.	...	...	Reading Prize.
Stewart, P.	...	" "	St. John, C. A.	...	...	" "

FIRST FORMS

Deaner, J. M.	...	...	English.
Fisk, R. K.	...	...	Mathematics.
Holland, J. J.	...	...	Languages and Science.
Oppenheimer, P. M.	...	...	Languages.
Stark, B. A.	...	...	Mathematics.

SECOND FORMS

Cleveland, M.	...	...	Science.
Curtis, D. W.	...	...	Languages and Mathematics.
Lipton, M.	...	...	English.
Reeve, A. J.	...	...	Languages and Mathematics.
Ward, D. J. L.	...	...	Languages.

THIRD FORMS

Cohn, H. J.	...	...	English and Mathematics.
Ginn, M. C.	...	...	Languages.
Godman, N. J.	...	...	English.
Haverfield, H.	...	...	Languages.
Hughes, A. P.	...	...	Languages.
O'Brien, E. J.	...	...	Science.
Avery, K. G.	...	...	Lower School Captain's Prize.

UPPER THIRD FORM

Binding, B. G.	...	...	English.
Jefford, R. E.	...	...	Geography.
Rosenstock, H. M. L.	...	...	History and Languages.
Trott, K. F.	...	...	Science.

LOWER FOURTH FORM

Beales, P. J.	...	...	Languages.
Bennett, M. A.	...	...	English and Languages.
Brown, B. G.	...	...	History.
Downing, D. A.	...	...	Science.
Hall, A.	...	...	Mathematics.

UPPER FOURTH FORM

Newton, J. M.	...	...	Classics.
Read, F. H.	...	...	Science.
Sims, A. F. E.	...	...	Mathematics and Science.

FIFTH FORMS

Bennett, B. W. R.	...	...	Languages.
Burgess, A. G. E.	...	...	Mathematics.
Goldman, G. L.	...	...	Science.
Risby, J. F.	...	...	English and History.

LOWER SIXTH SCIENCE

Bausor, J. I.	...	...	Mathematics.
Humphries, R. W.	...	...	Mathematics and Science.
Levin, M. L.	...	...	Science.

LOWER SIXTH MODERN

Bovington, M. J.	...	...	English.
Jones, D. A.	...	...	Form Prize.
Tunkel, V.	...	...	History.

UPPER SIXTH SCIENCE

PEARCE, K. W.	...	...	Science.
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UPPER SIXTH MODERN

Bradley, R. G.	...	...	Economics.
Buck, M. B.	...	...	Economics.
Burgner, T. U.	...	...	English and History.
Corpe, W. F.	...	...	Classics.

SPECIAL PRIZES

<i>Lord Memorial Prizes</i>	...	Possener, M.	Science.
<i>Stokes Memorial Prize</i>	...	Kirsch, G. S.	Science.
<i>Kemp Memorial Prize</i>	...	Howard, B. S.	School Vice-Captain & Games.
<i>McPhail Prize</i>	...		
<i>Hinton Memorial Prize</i>	...	Dare, M. J.	School Captain.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Goodman, A. R.	£100 Open History Scholarship, Lincoln College, Oxford.
Kirsch, G. S.	£100 Open Science Scholarship, Trinity College, Cambridge.
Burgner, T. U.	State Scholarship.
Corpe, W. F.	State Scholarship.

GOVERNORS' LEAVING AWARDS

Buck, M. B.	Griew, E. J.	Oakley, S. P.
Dare, M. J.	Harborow, K. E.	Possener, M.
Gaskell, J. B.	Hoare, P. G.	Trask, M. E.
	Kirsch, G. S.	

HOUSE TROPHIES

UPPER AND LOWER SCHOOL

Work and Sports (Dunton Shield)	...	...	Strouts.
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HOUSE TROPHIES, 1948-49

UPPER SCHOOL

Athletics (Hinton Shield)	...	...	...	Strouts..
Boxing (Harper Shield)	...	...	...	Russells.
Chess (Batty Cup)	...	...	...	Joblings and Meadows.
Cricket (Freeman Shield)	...	...	...	Strouts.
Cross-Country (Littlefield Cup)	...	...	...	Hendersons.
C.C.F. (Blockley Cup)	...	...	...	Joblings.
Rowing	...	...	...	Strouts.
Rugby Football (Hayles Shield)	...	...	...	Calverts.
Shooting (Coules Cup)	...	...	...	Strouts.
Swimming (Gregory Shield)	...	...	...	Strouts.
Tennis	...	...	...	Joblings.
Work and Conduct	...	...	...	Hendersons.

LOWER SCHOOL

Athletics	...	...	...	...	Joblings.
Boxing	...	...	...	...	Strouts.
Work and Conduct	...	...	...	...	Joblings.

LOWER SCHOOL NOTES

The Lower School continued during the summer term to take its full share in School activities ; and, as references elsewhere in this issue will show, its representatives acquitted themselves well in the Junior Cricket elevens, the Swimming Gala, the Choral Service at Eton. Results of the end-of-term examinations reflected great credit on many boys and should be a warning to a minority that hard work must take precedence over other activities, to ensure not only future success in life, but further progress in the School.

Early in July we said God-speed to Father Taylor, adding to our farewell gift an album of autographs as a memento of those among whom he has ministered for so long, and especially of those many whom he has prepared for confirmation. We wish him and Mrs. Taylor all happiness in their ministry in South Africa. We are sorry, too, to lose Mr. Matthews, to whom we are indebted for his loyal and willing service as form master of 3s, and with the Debating Society and National Savings. As Senior Mathematics Master at St. Dunstan's College, he is not far away, and we look forward to seeing him from time to time.

The Work and Conduct Shield, won by Joblings, was received by its Captain, M. Cleveland, also Captain of the Lower School. Strouts were the runners-up. The last Saturday of the term, traditionally the Lower School Sports day, brought fine weather and a large crowd of parents and other guests. The Athletics Shield was won by Strouts (Captain, P. D. Darke), with Joblings in the second place ; while the cups for the Junior Champion and runner-up went to J. Brett (S) and J. R. Irwin (J) respectively.

We wish good luck to all those who have left us to join the Upper School, a number of whom were useful members of the party which visited Austria, as described below.

J.F.C.

LOWER SCHOOL SPORTS

Chase Lodge, July 22nd, 1950

RESULTS :

<i>Event.</i>	<i>Class.</i>	<i>First.</i>	<i>Second.</i>	<i>Third.</i>	<i>Time, Dist., Ht.</i>
80 yds.	F	Stewart(S)	Fairley(M)	Goldman(C)	11.0 secs.
80 yds.	E	Oppenheimer(S)	Cornford(M)	Simpson(R)	11.0 "
80 yds.	D	White, R. F.(H)	Goldthorpe(R)	Tappin(H)	10.6 "
80 yds.	C	Slade(S)	Wood(C)	Jarritt(H)	10.4 "
100 yds.	B	Humphrey(J)	Brett(S)	Bacon(H)	12.9 "
100 yds.	A	Bailey(M)	Irwin(J)	Wells(C)	11.4 "
Egg-in-Spoon	F	Leverton(C)	Mackeggie(R)	Thompson(J)	—
Egg-in-Spoon	E	Leff(M)	Alford(C)	Wildman(C)	—
Egg-in-Spoon	D	Goldthorpe(R)	Byerley(M)	Weston(C)	—
Egg-in-Spoon	C	Pankhurst(S)	Vacher(R)	Humby(H)	—
220 yds.	B	Brett(S)	Robbins(R)	Humphrey(H)	30.1 secs.
220 yds.	A	Irwin(J)	Bailey(M)	Pettet(S)	28.6 "
Ball Throw	F	Boatman(M)	Leverton(C)	Snowman(C)	159' 0"
Ball Throw	E	White(S)	Bishop(R)	Bysher(S)	155' 0"
Ball Throw	D	Butler(R)	Matear(C)	Hill(S)	193' 9"
Ball Throw	C	Clark(H)	Purchase(R)	Hughes(M)	165' 7"
Ball Throw	B	Robbins(R)	Brett(S)	Ridge(M)	186' 2"
Ball Throw	A	Cleveland(J)	Easterbrook(J)	Cooper(R)	177' 0"
High Jump	F	Stoddard(H)	Fairley(M)	Gaunt(J)	3' 10"
High Jump	E	Drewry(R)	Bysher(S)	Barnes(C)	3' 10"
High Jump	D	Horne(J)	Davies(C)	Banham(S)	3' 9"
High Jump	C	Barnfather(H)	Hughes(M)	Chapman(C)	4' 2"
High Jump	B	Millman(H)	Brett(S)	Handscombe(M)	4' 0"
High Jump	A	Pettet(S)	Carter(C)	Cleveland(J)	4' 7"
Long Jump	F	Goodman(C)	Stewart(S)	Fairley(M)	12' 7"
Long Jump	E	Nice(S)	Herséy(R)	Cornford(M)	12' 5"
Long Jump	D	Butler(R)	White, R. F.(H)	Curtis()	12' 10"
Long Jump	C	Purchase(R)	Barnfather(H)	Cedar(M)	12' 11"
Long Jump	B	Brett(S)	Butlin(C)	Hanson(H)	14' 1"
Long Jump	A	Irwin(J)	Pettet(S)	Bailey(M)	15' 1"
Block Race	F	Boatman(M)	Stewart(S)	Goodman(C)— Taylor(R)	—
Block Race	E	Parker(C)	Barnes(C)	Oppenheimer(S)	—
Block Race	D	Banham(S)	Butler(R)	Ely(C)— White(H)	—
Block Race	C	Wood(C)	Clark(H)	Pankhurst(S)	—
440 yds.	B	Robbins(R)	Humphrey(J)	White, A. B.(R)	70.1 secs.
440 yds.	A	Irwin(J)	Pettet(S)	Bate(J)	66.0 "
House Relay Race—Order of Houses : C, J, H, M, S, R, ...					... 59.0 secs.

Final Order and Points

1st Strouts	...	...	88 pts.	4th Joblings	...	...	58 pts
2nd Russells	...	...	64½ "	5th Hendersons	...	...	57½ "
3rd Calverts	...	...	64 "	6th Meadows	...	...	54 "
Winner of Individual Championship	...	...	...	...	...	...	Brett(S)
Runner-up for Individual Championship	...	...	...	...	...	...	Irwin(J)

J.W.D.

ATHLETICS PROFICIENCY AWARDS

JUNIOR 1ST CLASS : Davies, J. B., Irwin, Carter.

JUNIOR 2ND CLASS : Handscombe, Humphrey, Hanson, Darke.

A HOLIDAY IN THE TYROL

A thousand years ago an Empress of Austria, burning with fever, sought and found relief in the healing waters of Fieberbrunn, high among the mountains of the eastern Tyrol. Four hundred years ago a "Schloss" was built beside the stream which threads the valley. A few weeks ago a party, mainly from the Lower School, spent a part of their summer holiday in the "Schlosshotel" (as it now is) and its annexe across the river.

Armed with sheaves of permits and tickets, we began our 1,000-mile journey by being photographed and seen off at Victoria. There followed a fair crossing, a quick glance round Ostend, a night in the train with some of the lighter members sleeping on the racks, and a welcome breakfast at Basle. There was time for a ramble through the city and across the Rhine—swift and very wide, even at that great distance from the sea. Crossing northern Switzerland, we ran along the shores of Lake Zurich, and entered Austria via Liechtenstein and the Arlberg tunnel. Travelling almost the whole length of the Tyrol, with fine mountain scenery on either side, we reached our destination in a rainy dusk—with one exception, our only rainfall throughout the trip.

We took little time to settle in ; and little longer to accustom ourselves to Austrian food—Wiener Schnitzel, savoury and good ; spaghetti, lengthy and provocative of mirth ; fresh bilberries staining lips and tongue with purple blue. . . . Of Fieberbrunn itself we remember, always, the stream, the village strung for a mile along its banks, sun-tanned villagers harvesting on steep slopes the rich green crop of grass and clover, hay drying on tall stakes and looking for all the world like processions of men in sombre dress, long lines of drying flax, cattle with bells incessantly tolling, mountains of tree-trunks trimmed for seasoning, nurseries of seedling spruce and larch, fir and pine, a hundred thousand trees at a time—a whole forest in an acre.

Our first excursion meant an early start, rising at 5 a.m., crossing from French to American zone, driving in the cool bright air to Zell-am-See by its blue-green lake, thence climbing up the score and more hairpin bends of the Glockner road to the Franz Josef Hohe, 8,000 feet up. Scrambling down to the glacier, whose cool air gave welcome relief from the mid-day heat, we looked alternately down into the depths of crevasses and up to 12,000 foot Gross Glockner itself, which had been climbed by Mr. Hewson the same day, all unknown to us. By the time we reached home the moon was up. Next day was slack, as after each excursion, and taken up with bathing at the pool, rambling on the nearby slopes, or playing table-tennis in the shade of the trees in the garden.

Salzburg, the next objective, meant another early start, and a double crossing of the Austro-German frontier each way. American Army manoeuvres on a large scale provided a special interest, and having traversed the lovely country near Berchtesgaden, we came on to the Autobahn leading to Salzburg (which the writer had seen being constructed in 1938, shortly after the Germans had occupied Austria). Continuing, we climbed over to the Salzkammergut, ran along the shores of two or three lakes, and, having loaded up with drinks and fruit to supplement our rations, embarked on a motor launch for St. Wolfgang, with its ancient church and the "White Horse Inn." Salzburg—ancient, war-scarred, festival city, had much to show us; and provided, in addition, the long-awaited opportunity to spend Schillings—on "frog-feet" and other desirable things.

Two further trips awaited us. On one we looked down upon Kitzbuhel from the dizzy height of a cable car. The other, and last, was perhaps the most exciting of all. Setting out to climb the Wildseeloderspitze, with the excellent Walter as our guide, we went up by truck through steep forest tracks in the sunlit early morning to a farmhouse set among green meadows. Thence we proceeded up the mountain, finding gentians, eyebright, grass of Parnassus, campanulas, and dwarf alpine delphiniums on the way, and reaching the deep dark lake beneath its summit after a warm climb. Here we ate our rations, supplemented with goat's milk (for those who liked it), fruit drinks, and warm savoury sausage from the lonely farmhouse by the lake. Cheated from reaching the summit by a sudden storm which came on us round a shoulder of the mountain, we descended amid hail, lightning and thunder, and reached the lower farm drenched to the skin. There the kindly occupants provided us with hot soup, and a variety of garments to wear while our own dried. Finally we returned home, to hot baths and a change, none the worse for wear.

The return brought a good send-off, a thirsty journey into Switzerland, superb display of lightning in the dark over the Black Forest, first-rate dinner at Basle, a good crossing, and a warm welcome at Victoria. The trip was entirely successful, thanks to excellent weather, a party whose members got on well together, two able section leaders, A. J. Taylor and P. F. Spencer, and to Walter Winsauer, our cheerful and resourceful Austrian student guide. Everyone enjoyed it, and there have already been enquiries as to where we are going next year.

J.F.C.

PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT NOTES

The main event of last term was the Open Day and Sports, held on July 7th. Many parents and friends were able to be present, and we were especially pleased to see Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Stille amongst them. The results of the Sports are given in detail below. Mrs. Taylor very kindly presented the various trophies—the Sports Cup and the Football Cup to St. Andrew's (Games Captain, T. H. Boss), the Cricket and Rounders Cup to St. Patrick's (Games Captain, D. L. Stern), the Singing Cup to St. George's (House Captain, D. W. Walker), and the Conduct Cup to St. David's (House Captain, C. C. Bartlett). The Pike House Shield was won for the second year in succession by St. Andrew's (House Captain, J. G. Boon), after a very close struggle with St. George's. The final positions and scores of House points for the year were as follows :—

1st St. Andrew's	...	17,925	3rd St. David's	...	13,985
2nd St. George's	...	17,225	4th St. Patrick's	...	12,050

It should be recorded that D. W. Walker gained over 3,000 points for his House during the year, a very fine achievement.

After the presentations and the Headmaster's address, the choir sang very pleasingly four songs by Vaughan Williams and Elgar. The standard of singing throughout the Department has been consistently high this year, due to the patience and hard work of Miss Geddie and Miss Arnott, and to the enthusiasm and ability of such boys as D. G. Wilson and C. C. Bartlett. After singing came tea and the classroom displays, a substantial part of the latter being later transferred to the Main School to form part of the School Exhibition for Speech Day. The final event in the long afternoon's programme was a Chinese play, "The Stolen Prince," performed amidst most pleasant surroundings on the lawn. The principal parts were played by J. M. Pike (the Chorus), D. J. Kinniment (the Property Man), B. D. G. Antrobus (Long Fo), M. Tarlow (Wing Lee), A. J. Newton (the Royal Nurse), J. K. Edwards (Hi Tee), S. P. Chalfen (Li Mo) and A. R. Friedman (Joy). Miss Field arranged and presented the play. We are very grateful to her, and to Mr. Field for his kindness in making available some photographs of the afternoon's activities.

Mr. Craig very kindly judged the Spoken English competition, the winners being D. W. Walker and S. P. Chalfen (Senior) and M. W. Whittle (Junior). No form outings took place during the term, but on July 24th the whole department went by coach to West Wittering, seeing Chichester on the way, and returning via Midhurst and Hindhead. The whole day was very much enjoyed, although the weather was not too warm. Earlier in the term, on June 5th, Mr. Lambton Wilkinson, from the National Coal Board, gave a short talk to the older boys on "Coal Mining," illustrated by several films. The 1st XI played seven matches, winning three (including excellent victories over Belmont and the Ex-Prep. of the

Lower School) drawing three (two of them very favourably) and losing only one match, to an older side. The detailed results are as follows :—

May 31st. <i>v. Highwood (Away).</i> Won.	Highwood 14 (Boss 6 for 9), H.A.H.S. 59 for 3 (Boon 19).
June 5th. <i>v. The Hall (Home).</i> Drawn.	The Hall 39 for 5 dec., H.A.H.S. 23 for 5.
June 8th. <i>v. Hendon Prep. School (Away).</i> Lost.	Hendon Prep. School 57 (Bustard 6 for 13), H.A.H.S. 45 (Boss 18).
June 23rd. <i>v. Hendon Prep. School (Home).</i> Drawn	Hendon Prep. School 57, H.A.H.S. 53 for 6 (Bustard 17).
June 29th. <i>v. The Hall (Away).</i> Drawn.	The Hall 73, H.A.H.S. 71 for 8.
July 14th. <i>v. Belmont (Home).</i> Won.	H.A.H.S. 48, Belmont 46 (Fairley 5 for 4).
July 20. <i>v. Lower School Ex-Prep.</i> Won.	Lower School Ex-Prep. 46 and 24, H.A.H.S. 46 (Barker 19) and 25 for 2.

During the season cricket colours were awarded to J. G. Boon (Captain), T. H. Boss, J. R. Bustard, M. C. Fairley, D. L. Stern and K. R. Barker.

Twenty-six boys from the department entered the Lower School in September, and they will all be much missed, especially D. W. Walker, the Head Boy, and J. G. Boon, the Games Captain. Our thanks are due to those of them who have presented books to the library. During the year over £30 was raised for charity, thus exceeding substantially last year's total. Great credit is due to all concerned for such a fine result. At the end of term the following appointments for the next school year were made :—

<i>Head Boy :</i>	K. R. BARKER	
<i>Deputy Head Boy</i>	S. P. CHALFEN	
<i>Games Captain :</i>	J. R. BUSTARD	
<i>House Captains :</i>	S. P. CHALFEN	<i>St. Andrew's.</i>
	J. P. TURNER	<i>St. David's.</i>
	J. M. PIKE	<i>St. George's.</i>
	J. R. BUSTARD	<i>St. Patrick's.</i>
<i>House Vice-Captains :</i>	A. R. FRIEDMAN	<i>St. Andrew's.</i>
	R. J. GRAYSON	<i>St. David's.</i>
	T. C. ROBERTS	<i>St. George's.</i>
	M. J. LINDSAY	<i>St. Patrick's.</i>
<i>House Games Captains :</i>	G. JONES	<i>St. Andrew's.</i>
	T. LOUNT	<i>St. David's.</i>
	R. H. S. CATTLE	<i>St. George's.</i>
	D. L. STERN	<i>St. Patrick's.</i>

During the holidays, the classrooms were redecorated and new stoves replaced the old fireplaces. For those boys who remain and for the thirty-one new boys, it was pleasant to begin the term in a newly furbished Chase Lodge.

R.A.L.

PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT ATHLETIC SPORTS

RESULTS

Final Order of Houses:—1st St. Andrew's(178); 2nd St. George's(172);
3rd St. David's(97); 4th St. Patrick's(46).

80 yds. (Under 8½)	1st Summers, L.(A); 2nd Simons(P); 3rd Flowers(D).
100 yds. (8½-9½) ...	1st Boyle(A); 2nd Birdsey(A); 3rd Whittle(D) and Wiles(A).
100 yds. (9½-10½) ...	1st Jones(A); 2nd Cattle(G); 3rd Witheridge(P).
100 yds. (Over 10½)	1st Boon(A); 2nd Walker(G) and Wilson(G).
House Relay ... (Under 9)	1st St. Andrew's; 2nd St. David's; 3rd St. George's.
House Relay (9-10)	1st St. Andrew's; 2nd St. George's; 3rd St. David's.
House Relay ... (Over 10)	1st St. George's; 2nd St. David's; 3rd St. Andrew's.
Sack Race (Under 9)	1st Ewer(D); 2nd Flower(D); 3rd Summers, L.(A).
Sack Race (9-10) ...	1st Cramb(P) and Howell(G); 3rd Grayson(D).
Sack Race (Over 10)	1st Walker(G); 2nd Witheridge(P); 3rd Cattle(G).
Three-Legged Race (Under 10)	1st Mason and Selby(P); 2nd Haines and Lever(G); 3rd Cramb and Underwood(P).
Three-Legged Race (Over 10)	1st Boss and Fairley(A); 2nd Bustard and Stern(P); 3rd St. John and Winnick(P).
Obstacle Race ... (Over 9)	1st Betts(G); 2nd Cattle(G); 3rd Witheridge(P).
Othagon (Junior) ...	1st Davis(D); 2nd Mace(G); 3rd Whittle(D).
Othagon (Senior) ...	1st Boss(A); 2nd Readman(A); 3rd Kinnimart(P).
Medley Relay ...	1st St. Andrew's; 2nd St. George's; 3rd St. David's.

EVENTS PREVIOUSLY DECIDED

Throwing the Cricket Ball (Senior) ...	1st Bustard(P) and Readman(A); 3rd Roberts, T.(G).
High Jump (Senior)	1st Wilson(G); 2nd Walker(G); 3rd Boon(A).
Long Jump (Senior)	1st Wilson(G); 2nd Boon(A); 3rd Stern(P).

LINES ON A SPARROW

Above the city all alone,
Above the traffic's ceaseless drone,
Beneath the eaves, its place of rest,
Is found the tiny sparrow's nest.
Alone it sits in patient mood;
Its mother gone in search of food,
The fledging's wish to roam and play,
Causes him to fly away.
Unsteady on its tiny wing,
Its feathery form the air does cling,
But like a stone to earth it drops,
Scared and frightened a step it hops.
A darkened shadow on the wall,
Across the tiny sparrow falls,
And then in hands that spell of doom,
He's borne aloft into the room.
Laid in a chamber small and dim,
Imprisoned, caged and choking him,
Then slowly losing all his breath,
The sparrow's life gives way to death.

M. LINCOLN.

CRICKET, 1950

This has been a good year for School Cricket. Our 1st XI record was even, but three of the other four sides had more wins than losses to their credit.

The 1st XI season proved very enjoyable and there were a number of interesting finishes to our matches. Although we had several pleasing individual efforts, we did not manage to reach the good scores of last year; this was due to inconsistency in our batting. The partnership of 84 between Gainsborough (55) and Lundie (34) *v.* Brondesbury C.C. and Lumsden's 51 not out *v.* St. Albans were the most successful performances. Lundie has batted very well and been the most consistent scorer; he was very unfortunate not to reach his fifty on three or four occasions. The bowling side was better balanced than last year and all of the five regular bowlers performed well and met with success. The fielding left much to be desired; for there was not that alertness and keenness in the field that are so vitally necessary.

The 2nd XI has maintained its customary good record and has the distinction of beating the Old Boys two years running. The bowling performances of Maconachie, Wild and Pollock are especially pleasing, and those of the side who were called upon at any time have rendered good service to the first team. Although the 3rd XI had a poor season, the Colts and Junior XI's are to be heartily congratulated on their excellent records. It is also promising to note that two or three of our Colts have gained valuable experience in the Senior elevens this summer.

The outlook for the future is good, but there are some lessons to be learnt before the standard of School Cricket reaches the greatest height. On looking down the School one sees a gratifying number of promising bowlers but few batsmen. The present weakness of our batting lies in the lack of a sound knowledge of the fundamentals of the art. When a boy reaches the 1st XI nets, it is too late to try to teach him such things as a correct grip, a correct stance, a correct bat-lift or a simple forward stroke. These are things which good batsmen learn at a much earlier stage and until they are firmly impressed into the play of our young cricketers we shall not make fine scores. A wide variety of strokes and ability to score runs will develop, but the basic principles must come first. The bowlers must remember that their first task is to bowl at the stumps and make the batsman play the ball. No batsman should be allowed to get his eye in by watching the balls go past his wicket—the bowler must follow a policy of attack from the word "go." Generally speaking there seems to be an adequate supply of pace bowlers in school sides but rather a lack of slow bowlers. A promising right-arm leg-break or slow left-arm bowler is not likely to find it difficult to get into one of the good teams and should always be encouraged.

It cannot be over-emphasized that the path to good cricket lies in constant serious practice. At the present the attitude to "nets" is very slack and must alter if we are to succeed. "Nets" are often useless because boys do not go in the right spirit. A net is a place to eradicate weaknesses, to develop scoring shots, to try out a new type of ball and so on—one should go to "nets" with a definite purpose in mind, to practise hard some specific part of the game, and with the co-operation of other players make invaluable progress. At present the standard of fielding in the teams is low. A good fielder is always keen, alert, full of energy and ready to move in any direction, and although brilliant fielders are born, a very good fielder can be made if he practises hard enough. One final point, a good side is always well prepared for the game and the standard of turn-out at present is generally good. It should always be maintained in the future.

It has been very pleasant to see so many parents and friends at our matches this season. We gratefully acknowledge their support but at the same time regret the absence of the boys of the School. Surely there is greater interest in the School's Cricket than would appear from the numbers of boys attending at Chase Lodge?

Once again I should like to thank all those who have contributed to the success of the season in any way. We are very fortunate indeed to have the services of Mr. Galley whose reputation both as coach and umpire is well established in higher circles of cricket than ours. Once more we heartily thank him for all his help and advice, and the excellent preparation of the wickets. Then I should like to express the gratitude of all cricketers to Messrs. Crossman and Carrington who have been in charge of the general arrangements, to Mr. Witney and the other masters who have helped with the individual teams and nets, and to Mr. Payne and Brondesbury C.C. for letting us have the very valuable use of their nets. Our thanks also go to the catering staff and to all those who have carried out so competently the duties of scorers. In particular I should like to mention Andrews who has completed three years of excellent scoring for the 1st XI. His neatness and efficiency are a model to all scorers.

I feel sure that the promise shown this season will bear good fruit in the future. The talent exists and there is no doubt that the School can do very well.

G. B. JONES, *Captain of Cricket.*

FIRST XI

Fifteen matches were played, of which six were won, six lost, and three drawn. As had been expected the bowling was more reliable than the batting. Gainsborough was unfortunate in not being able to find his form, and, except in one delightful innings against Brondesbury C.C., did not settle down. The main burden of the batting fell on Lundie, who has had a most successful season ;

he frequently saved the side from collapse and always scored runs when they were most needed. Lumsden's batting showed a great improvement and he and Lundie usually gave the team a good start, but the business of getting runs was too often left to those who prefer to regard their batting light-heartedly. However, towards the end of the season, Partington and Norman were batting well, and Bovington's innings against Queen Elizabeth's was invaluable.

There was a variety of bowling. Jones bowled well throughout, and his performance against the M.C.C. was perhaps the best piece of cricket that we saw during the season. Too often, however, when he had persuaded the batsman to misplay the ball, the catch was dropped. Maddison again bowled well; he varied his flight and spin cleverly, but did not always turn the ball sufficiently to be really dangerous. Foster could usually be relied upon to strike some early blows, and Miller broke several partnerships when they were beginning to look fruitful. Gainsborough bowled very intelligently and Norman and Cullingford were useful and inexpensive.

The fielding, especially close to the wicket, was never very certain, and Howard was sadly missed. Lumsden kept wicket well and was particularly sound on the leg side.

Jones led the side intelligently and cheerfully and he is to be congratulated on combining successfully the difficult tasks of captain and opening bowler. Under his captaincy the cricket was always keen and interesting and often exciting. The Brondesbury match was saved at the last moment, and those who saw Miller and Maddison score sixteen somewhat unexpected runs for the last wicket to defeat Eltham will remember it for a long time.

Colours were re-awarded to Jones, Gainsborough and Maddison and were awarded to Lundie and Lumsden. At the end of term bats were awarded to Lundie and Lumsden for consistent batting, and Jones received the ball with which he bowled four batsman with consecutive balls in the match against the Nomads C.C.

D.R.W.

FIRST XI CHARACTERS

JONES, G. B., *Captain*.—Has led the side well and is to be congratulated on a good season's cricket. A very good opening bowler who always attacks from the beginning, and his batting is forceful and effective. He should do very well in cricket of a high class. He has played for the Young Amateurs of Middlesex during the holidays.

GAINSBOROUGH, D. F.—Extremely keen cricketer who has rendered excellent service as vice-captain. Although a very promising batsman, he has been unfortunately off form this season. Very safe fielder and a useful slow left-arm bowler who always uses his wits to defeat the batsman.

MADDISON, P.—Slow bowler who has again had a successful season. At times he has bowled really well but generally speaking he has the ability to attack the batsman more. Although he has been low in the order this year he is definitely capable as a batsman.

LUNDIE, D. A.—A very much improved opening batsman with great powers of concentration. He has held the side together on many occasions and played some excellent innings. His chief weakness appears when he tries to force the pace. Very reliable fielder.

- LUMSDEN, M. S.—A keen cricketer who has played well this season and developed into a very competent wicket-keeper. He has proved a valuable opening batsman and made two or three good scores, although his stance could still improve. He promises very well for the future.
- NORMAN, H.—A batsman who has not had much success this year. His grip of the bat is too tenacious but he has played some good innings and shown that he is not afraid to attack the bowling. Extremely able anywhere in the field and can bowl a few overs when called upon.
- FOSTER, D. J.—An opening bowler who has played his part well and taken some good wickets; although he has yet to learn to make full use of a swinging ball. A little slow in the field but very useful as a forcing bat.
- MILLER, B. R.—A capable left-arm pace bowler. He has bowled very well on occasions but must learn to bowl always at the stumps and make the batsman play. His fielding is a weak point, but his batting has much improved.
- PARTINGTON, R. E.—A batsman who improved considerably after a poor start to the season. His style does not give the impression of complete freedom of movement and he is better on the front foot than on the back. As a fielder he is generally safe in the deep.
- BOVINGTON, M. J.—A batsman who has had a disappointing season apart from one very valuable innings. His off-drive has improved greatly, but he must develop scoring shots off the back foot as well. Rather slow to react in the field but has held some good catches in the gulley.
- MARTIN, A. S.—Promoted from the 2nd XI, he has justified his selection for the 1st XI by playing a big part in pulling the side through on some difficult occasions. Although his style was poor he has shown a rapid improvement during the later weeks of the term and should do well. Reliable and keen in the field.

AVERAGES

BATTING

Name	Ins.	Not Out	Runs	Highest Score	Av.
Lundie	14	1	305	43	23.47
Gainsborough	15	0	187	55	12.47
Partington	11	3	99	21*	12.38
Lumsden	15	1	171	51*	12.21
Norman	13	2	131	45	11.91

* Not Out.

BOWLING

Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Av.
Miller	54	12	108	17	6.35
Jones	142	41	322	38	8.47
Maddison	121.2	19	346	37	9.35

MATCH ACCOUNTS

May 10th. *v. Chigwell G.S. (Away).*

Chigwell 59, H.A.H.S. 110 for 6. Won by 9 wks.

Chigwell batted first and after Miller had struck three early blows the wickets fell steadily to our slow bowlers, Maddison and Gainsborough, although Brooks scored a spirited 32 not out. Lundie and Lumsden opened with a fine partnership of 42 and showed excellent running between the wickets. After winning by 9 wickets the School batted on but only Lundie (41) and Gainsborough (37) were prominent.

May 13th. *v. St. Dunstan's College (Home).*

St. Dunstan's 135, H.A.H.S. 101 for 3. Match Drawn.

St. Dunstan's batted first on an easy wicket and began with a partnership of 69. Apart from the opening batsmen the opposition

was dismissed cheaply. Jones bowled Thomas when the latter had made 73 and was trying to force the pace, and went on to dismiss the remaining tail-enders in quick succession, returning the final figures of 5 for 31. Again Lundie and Lumsden put on 42 before the latter was caught, but after Lundie was out, after scoring an excellent 40, the School fell too far behind the clock.

May 17th. v. Brondesbury C.C. (Away).

H.A.H.S. 115, Brondesbury 113 for 9. *Match Drawn.*

The School collapsed badly at the start and were 14 for 3 when Gainsborough joined Lundie. Between them they put on 84 by a very fine partnership in which Gainsborough scored freely all round the wicket for 55. Lundie (34) was dismissed one run later than Gainsborough and the School collapsed again and were all out for 115. The School concentrated on a pace attack in which Jones was well supported by Maconachie and Norman. Once two wickets had fallen the issue was open and the closing stages were very thrilling.

May 20th. v. City of London (Away).

H.A.H.S. 41, City of London 64. *Lost by 3 wks.*

The School batted first on a very fiery and dangerous wicket which was of great use to the bowlers all through. We missed the services of Lundie and only Norman who attacked the bowling well in an extremely valuable 20 had any success. City of London were also in trouble and there was still a chance of our winning until one of their men indulged in some very opportune hitting. Both sides did not take the chances offered in the field as well as they might have done.

May 24th. v. M.C.C. (Home).

M.C.C. 169, H.A.H.S. 89. *Lost by 80 runs.*

The School put the M.C.C. in and made good use of the new ball, keeping the M.C.C. down to the score of 69 for 4 at lunch. Jones was bowling at his best and took the first 3 wickets. After lunch the score mounted freely and the M.C.C. were all out for 169. The School batting did very poorly against the pace-bowling of Griffiths and only Partington showed much resistance to the M.C.C. attack. Our fielding, however, was very good.

May 27th. v. H.A.C. (Home).

H.A.C. 27, H.A.H.S. 103 for 7 dec. *Won by 10 wks.*

The H.A.C. were put in to bat on a day when the ball was swinging very easily. Their side was easily dismissed for 27, Maddison capturing the last three wickets in four balls. The total was passed without the loss of a wicket and the School batted on but nobody made an outstanding score. Rain prevented further play.

June 3rd. v. Bancroft's (Away).

H.A.H.S. 116, Bancrofts 140 for 4. *Lost by 7 wks.*

The School batted first and started confidently, the score at the second wicket being 51. Lundie was batting extremely well but was unfortunately run out for 43. The score reached 80 for 7 but a partnership between Foster and Bovington, dominated by the

quick scoring of the former, carried us past the century mark. Except for Cullingford and Miller our bowlers all had a bad day and Bancroft's had little difficulty in passing our score, their opening partnership yielding 87 of the runs.

June 7th. v. St. Albans (Home).

St. Albans 99, H.A.H.S. 102 for 4. *Won by 6 wickets.*

The afternoon was fine and very warm and St. Albans elected to bat. Our fielding was poor and several bowlers were tried, the most successful being Cullingford who took 3 for 16 and Maddison who took 3 for 21. The visitors could have been dismissed more cheaply but the School gained a confident win. The early bowling was well punished by our batsmen and Lumsden scored a first-class 51 not out.

June 10th. v. Queen Elizabeth's G.S. (Away).

Queen Elizabeth's 111, H.A.H.S. 66. *Lost by 45 runs.*

Queen Elizabeth's batted without the loss of a wicket against our opening attack and the wickets were shared by Gainsborough (5 for 29) and Maddison (4 for 34). Although his bowling was rather expensive the former used his wits cleverly in his best bowling performance of the season, while Maddison bowled steadily and well in a long spell. The School began very badly and apart from Bovington, who played his best innings for the side, showed little life. Bovington however batted confidently for a very good 31.

June 17th v. Emanuel (Away) Emanuel 62, H.A.H.S. 56. *Lost by 6 runs.*

Benefitting from two early successes the School bowlers attacked well and dismissed Emanuel for what seemed a cheap score. Only three bowlers were used of whom Foster was the most successful, taking 4 for 27. The wicket favoured the bowlers, and we went in before tea but had lost 3 wickets for 12 at the interval. Once again Lundie held the side together with a well-made 35 and he was well supported by Martin. The end was thrilling but we only scored 9 runs for the last 4 wickets.

June 24th. v. Royal Masonic (Home).

Royal Masonic 106, H.A.H.S. 88 for 8. *Match Drawn.*

Royal Masonic had a poor start, and Jones and Foster between them dismissed 5 men for 22 runs in their opening spells. Foster bowled very well to take 3 for 9 in 11 overs. However, a stand of 65 caused the initiative to leave us and the fielding deteriorated; had all the catches been held the situation might have been very different. Maddison took the last two wickets in the first over after tea. The School batted steadily; Lundie made 23 but was out trying to force the pace against bowling which had given little away, while Partington kept things going with a very pleasing 20.

July 1st. v. Nomads C.C. (Home).

H.A.H.S. 151 for 3 dec., Nomads 52. *Won by 99 runs.*

Lundie and Lumsden experienced little difficulty against a side weak in bowling. At 44, however, Lundie was forced to retire hurt. Lumsden (40) and Norman (45) batted confidently and attacked the bowling well. Bovington also scored easily, and the School declared at tea. Apart from Mr. Witney (who helped to

make up the Nomads team) there was little resistance and the side were dismissed for 52. In his fifth over, Jones performed the feat of bowling four men in four balls. His final figures were 5 for 18.

July 8th. v. Old Haberdashers (Home).

Old Haberdashers 125 for 5 dec.,
H.A.H.S. 86. *Lost by 39 runs.*

The Old Boys opened slowly and the fifth wicket fell at 48. However, after playing themselves in Mussett and Windett attacked the bowling viciously, the former completing his fifty. The wickets fell to Jones (3 for 40) and Maddison (2 for 42). At 31, Lundie was dismissed for 27 and with four wickets down the School were in a bad position. The tail tried to wag hard, but although Partington made a very pleasing 20 not out and Miller scored 12, we did not succeed in saving the game.

July 19th. v. Eltham College (Home). Eltham 61, H.A.H.S. 70. *Won by 1 wkt.*

Jones and Foster struck two valuable opening blows and the School did very well indeed to dismiss Eltham for 61. Early on the scoring was very slow and one or two attempts at rapid scoring later on were happily soon defeated. Maddison bowled well to take 4 wickets, whilst Jones took 3. The School were forced to play four overs before tea and opened with Martin and Bovington who survived until the last ball when Martin was caught. The score rose with difficulty and we were 28 for 7. However, Partington again played well and Foster scored a few quickly to bring us to 49 for 9. The suspense was very great and the performances of Miller (20) and Maddison (5 not out) in carrying us through deserve the highest praise.

July 25th. v. The Masters (Home). Masters 61, H.A.H.S. 105. *Won by 5 wkts.*

The match started late on a wet wicket. Jones and Norman began and the latter filled in the gap of opening bowler well. Miller secured Mr. Witney's wicket in his first over when Foster made a good catch in the deep. In his next over he bowled Mr. Breese, who had made a very hard-hit 34. After this there was little resistance. Miller took two more wickets that over and his final figures were 5-2-6-6, an excellent display. The School had a shaky start. Lumsden had a very good ball from Mr. Thomas, Lundie was unfortunate to be run out and Mr. Brown dismissed Bovington and Partington with consecutive balls. The score reached 24 for 5, but a fine partnership between Martin and Norman not only pulled us through an awkward situation but also took us past the Masters' score. The School batted on and made 105.

SECOND XI

The record, on paper, of this team can be regarded from many angles. Judged by some performances one is tempted to think that the XI were unfortunate, whilst judged by others the record of six matches won, four lost and two drawn flatters them immensely.

The foregoing remarks seem to suggest that the progress of the 2nd XI was very erratic. It was—with perhaps on exception, namely the bowling.

The attack was always very satisfactory indeed, for, Maconachie, Pollock and Wild could always be relied upon to shatter wickets, especially after Wild had adopted a slower pace. The bowling attack, however, did not always receive adequate support in the field, with the very notable exceptions of M. J. Thomas and P. C. Shiells who were alert, swift and courageous in any position. The remainder displayed considerable lack of anticipation, and because of this failing—fundamentally the result of laziness—many unnecessary runs were conceded.

The batting of the team was the most erratic performance of the season and many of the side have yet to realise that it should be their duty—and pleasure—to mete out vigorous treatment to loose balls instead of remaining rooted to the crease and watching such balls go by with the placid indifference perhaps intended to indicate contempt. On the other hand, accurate bowling should be treated with respect, and firmness in dealing with strong attack needs serious practice and plenty of it. Too often, however, players have lost their wickets through neglect of—or failure ever to learn—the basic rules of good batting.

The team has been very ably captained by S. Goldstone, who, in spite of his unfortunate spell, nevertheless remained conscientious and enthusiastic throughout the season. This helped considerably with administration and made the management of the team much less of a burden than it might otherwise have been.

T.E.C.

SECOND XI RECORD

May 10th. <i>v. Chigwell G.S. (Home).</i>	H.A.H.S. 112 (Martin 42),
Won by 88 runs.	Chigwell 24 (Foster 4 for 4).
May 13th. <i>v. St. Dunstan's (Away).</i>	H.A.H.S. 51, St. Dunstan's
Lost by 3 wks.	55 for 7.
May 17th. <i>v. St. Albans (Away).</i>	H.A.H.S. 75, St. Albans 23
Won by 52 runs.	(Pollock 4 for 3).
May 20th. <i>v. Merchant Taylors' (Home).</i>	Merchant Taylors' 71,
Match Drawn.	H.A. H.S. 50 for 9.
May 31st. <i>v. St. George's (Home).</i>	H.A.H.S. 19, St. George's 40
Lost by 4 wks.	Maconachie 7 for 15).
June 3rd. <i>v. Bancrofts (Home).</i>	Bancrofts 90 for 8 dec.,
Match Drawn.	H.A.H.S. 89 for 6.
June 7th. <i>v. St. Albans (Away).</i>	H.A.H.S. 78, St. Albans 75
Won by 3 runs.	(Wild 6 for 20).
June 10th. <i>v. Queen Elizabeth's G.S. (Home).</i>	H.A.H.S. 72, Queen Eliza-
Won by 34 runs.	beth's 38 (Maconachie 4 for 8,
	Wild 5 for 15).
June 17th. <i>v. Emanuel (Home).</i>	H.A.H.S. 95, Emanuel 98 for
Lost by 1 wkt.	9 (Pollock 4 for 19).
June 24th. <i>v. Royal Masonic (Away).</i>	Royal Masonic 115 (Macon-
Lost by 60 runs.	achie 6 for 22), H.A.H.S. 55.
July 1st. <i>v. City of London (Home).</i>	City of London 39 (Pollock 8
Won by 7 wks.	for 13), H.A.H.S. 65 (Thomas
	31).
July 8th. <i>v. Old Haberdashers (Home).</i>	H.A.H.S. 59 (Goldberg 32),
Won by 6 runs.	Old Haberdashers 53 (Wild
	6 for 5).

THIRD XI

For the second year in succession the 3rd XI has found itself faced with an ignominious record, since the team did not win a single match. At the beginning of the season there was every reason to expect that the team would acquit itself well, as quite a number of previous School XI members were available. Yet there was always a dearth of consistent batsmen, even though Willetts and Kimber on occasions gave the team a good start. Hurd was perhaps the most reliable bat and he produced a number of useful scores. Towards the end of the season the batting of Goodman and King improved considerably and they showed themselves capable of playing some nice strokes.

Our chief strength lay in the bowling; Kimber and Sholl displayed ability but lacked accuracy. Goodman was particularly consistent and was unlucky not to take more wickets. King and Turner also bowled well when required. The fielding was of quite creditable standard, Sugg being especially prominent. However, the throwing-in was bad and many opportunities were lost because of this fault. Even if not materially successful, the season's cricket was most enjoyable and I would thank Lowe for carrying out his duties as scorer so cheerfully.

A.J.D.

THIRD XI RECORD

May 13th. v. <i>St. Dunstan's (Home).</i>	H.A.H.S. 20, St. Dunstan's
<i>Lost by 65 runs.</i>	85 for 9 dec.
May 20th. v. <i>Merchant Taylors' (Away).</i>	Merchant Taylors' 103 for 7
<i>Match Drawn.</i>	dec., H.A.H.S. 41 for 6 (Hurd
	20 not out).
May 31st. v. <i>St. George's (Away).</i>	H.A.H.S. 63, St. George's 54
<i>Match Drawn.</i>	for 9 (Kimber 4 for 18).
June 10th. v. <i>Queen Elizabeth's G.S. (Away).</i>	Queen Elizabeth's 60 (Kimber
<i>Lost by 6 runs.</i>	5 for 13), H.A.H.S. 54.
June 17th. v. <i>City of London (Home).</i>	City of London 104 for 7 dec.,
<i>Lost by 83 runs.</i>	H.A.H.S. 21.
June 24th. v. <i>Royal Masonic (Away).</i>	H.A.H.S. 30, Royal Masonic
<i>Lost by 4 wkts.</i>	61 (King 4 for 14).

COLTS XI

By virtue of winning five out of their six matches the team may be said to have had a successful season. The batting of the side was rather disappointing in so far as those who ought to have made runs seldom did so. Beaman was moderately successful as an opening bat and Spatcher played well on several occasions. Avery gave inelegant but spirited displays of how the bad ball should be hit and Allwright and Pollock showed that they could get runs when they were in form. Walker, playing his first season, had bad luck but showed that he was not afraid to go for the bowling, and as a wicket-keeper displayed great promise. Coulthard did not fulfil early hopes but will doubtless improve when he has overcome his nervousness.

The brunt of the bowling was shared by Avery, Pollock and Chamberlain, all of whom bowled well. Avery bowled most successfully and delivered a good length ball by means of an easy, and rapidly maturing action. The record below bears witness to his success. Pollock bowled less consistently, but where the nature of the pitch and the wind gave him assistance he made trouble for many batsmen. Spatcher managed to tempt several batsmen out of their crease and should do very well when he learns to pitch the ball further up the wicket.

Chamberlain performed his duties as captain well and contributed his share as an all-rounder to the successful and enjoyable season.

One disappointing feature of the season's cricket was the fielding. Nearly all the team showed a lack of anticipation which must be overcome before the individual members of the side can do credit to a senior eleven next year.

G.C.H.

COLTS XI RECORD

May 13th. <i>v. St. Dunstan's (Away).</i>	H.A.H.S. 27, St. Dunstan's 91
<i>Lost by 6 wks.</i>	(Avery 5 for 21).
May 20th. <i>v. Merchant Taylors' (Home).</i>	Merchant Taylors' 44 (Avery
<i>Won by 8 wks.</i>	5 for 12), H.A.H.S. 128 for 5
	(Avery 64 not out).
June 3rd. <i>v. Harrow (Home) Won by 34 runs.</i>	H.A.H.S. 62, Harrow 28
	(Avery 6 for 9, Pollock 4 for 19).
June 6th. <i>v. Bancrofts (Away). Won by 43 runs.</i>	H.A.H.S. 113 for 7 dec.
	(Allwright 34 not out, Pollock 31), Bancrofts 70.
June 10th. <i>v. Queen Elizabeth's G.S. (Home).</i>	Queen Elizabeth's 74
<i>Won by 3 wks.</i>	(Chamberlain 4 for 13,
	Spatcher 4 for 16), H.A.H.S. 97.
June 24th. <i>v. Royal Masonic (Home).</i>	Royal Masonic 59 (Chamberlain 4 for 11, Avery 4 for 20,)
<i>Won by 7 wks.</i>	H.A.H.S. 153 (Avery 37).
July 15th. <i>v. Emanuel (Away). Lost by 58 runs.</i>	Emanuel 97 (Chamberlain 4 for 34), H.A.H.S. 39.

JUNIOR XI

Under the able captaincy of Hanson, the Junior XI has had a successful season having won five, drawn one and lost two of its eight matches.

The task of selection was not always easy owing to the number of boys who possessed good all-round ability, and, rather than mention one or two boys by name, I would congratulate the team as a whole on maintaining an intelligent and lively interest in all the games. I have no doubt that the experience gained will profit them in the seasons to come.

For assistance received from Hanson and War, the scorer, I would like to extend a vote of thanks from the team.

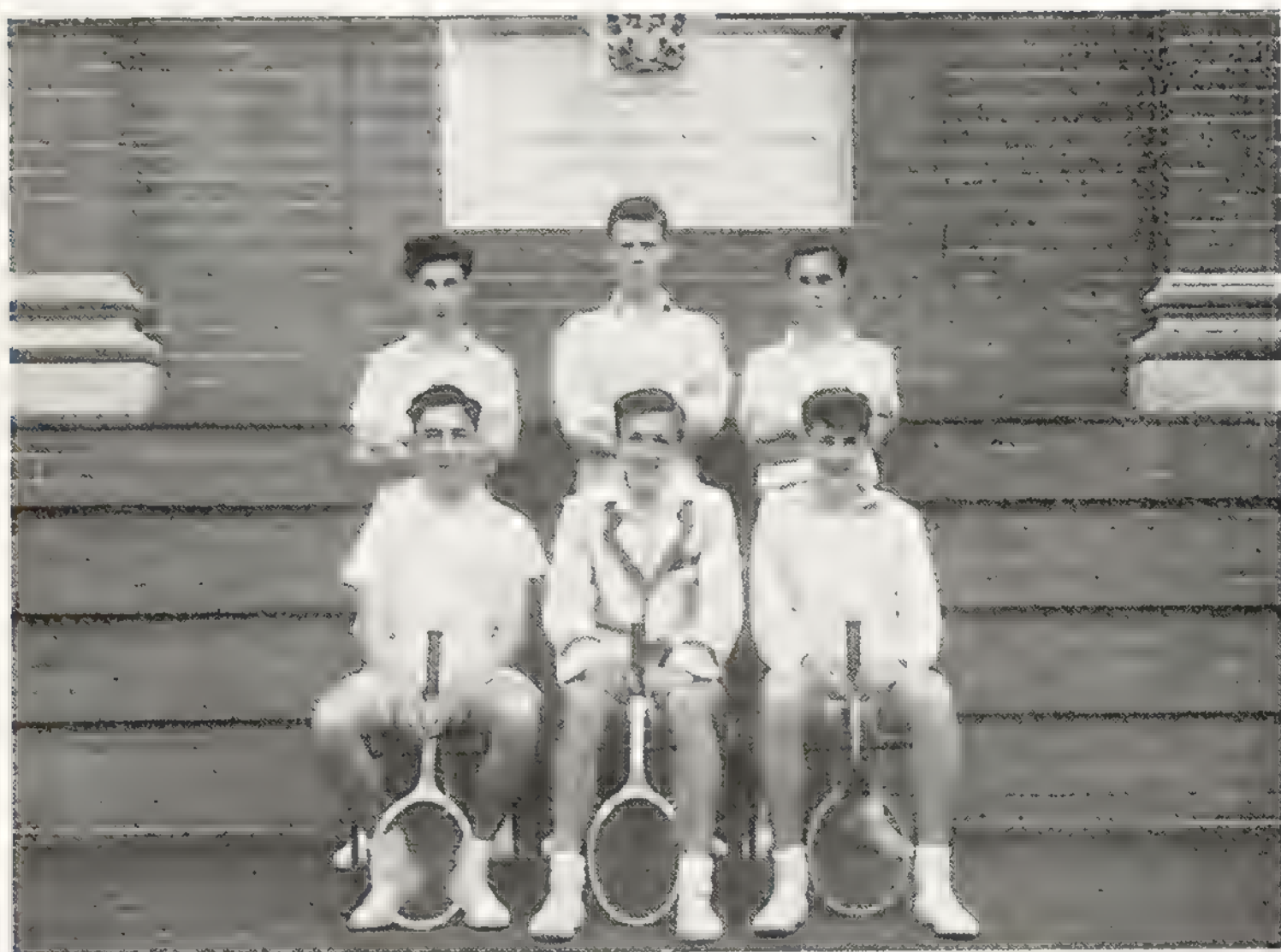
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JUNIOR XI, 1950



ATHLETICS TEAM, 1950



TENNIS VI, 1950



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JUNIOR XI RECORD

May 13th. U14 v. Christ's College (Home).	H.A.H.S. 67 (Wheal 20),
Won by 6 runs.	Christ's College 61 (Robbins 4 for 5, Wheal 3 for 2).
May 15th. U13½ v. Quainton Hall (Home).	Quainton Hall 65 for 5 dec.,
Won by 6 wks.	H.A.H.S. 76 for 4 (Carter 33 not out).
May 20th. U14 v. Watford G.S. (Away).	Watford 41, H.A.H.S. 43 for 6.
Won by 4 wks.	
June 3rd. U13½ v. Colet Court (Home).	H.A.H.S. 32, Colet Court 33 for 3.
Lost by 7 wks.	
June 10th. U13½ v. Colet Court (Away).	Colet Court 84 (Lidyard 3 for 24), H.A.H.S. 50 (Purchase 24).
Lost by 34 runs.	
June 12th. U13½ v. Quainton Hall (Home).	Quainton Hall 65 for 8 dec. (Clifford 3 for 10, Wells 3 for 17), H.A.H.S. 62 for 5 (Robbins 19 not out).
Match Drawn.	
July 1st. U14 v. Christ's College (Away).	H.A.H.S. 55 (Cleveland 17),
Won by 27 runs.	Christ's College 28 (Cleveland 6 for 6, Robbins 3 for 9).
July 15th. U14 v. Watford G.S. (Home).	H.A.H.S. 32 (Wheal 13),
Won by 4 runs.	Watford 28 (Wheal 5 for 8).

TEAM MAKE-UPS

FIRST XI

***Jones, G. B. (Capt.)
 **Gainsborough, D. F.
 **Maddison, P.
 *Lundie, D. A.
 *Lumsden, M. S.
 †††Norman, H.
 ††Foster, D. J.
 ††Miller, B. R.
 ††Partington, R. E.
 ††Bovington, M. J.
 †Martin, A. S.
 * Denotes 1st XI Colours

THIRD XI

Dickson, A. J. (Capt.)
 Willetts, D. J.
 Kimber, M. P.
 Sugg, P. D.
 Goodman, P.
 King, M. S.
 Skrimshire, A. J.
 Howell, D. L.
 Sholl, C. D.
 Hurd, R. G.
 Blackburn, J. D.

SECOND XI

††Goldstone, S. (Capt.)
 ††Pinnell, B. J.
 ††Goldberg, M.
 †Cullingford, D.
 †Shields, P. C.
 †Maconachie, D. J.
 †Thomas, M. J.
 †Wild, N. E. M.
 †Pollock, J. N.
 †Haynes, J. P. G.
 Leonard, W. K.
 † Denotes 1st XXII Colours.

COLTS XI

Chamberlain, K. R. (Capt.)
 Allwright, K. S.
 Avery, K. G.
 Spatcher, D. N.
 Cundy, R. A.
 Walker, M. V.
 Beaman, M.
 Farrand, J. T.
 Turner, C. W.
 Bastin, E. R.
 Coulthard, R. D.

ANALYSIS

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
First XI	15	6	6	3
Second XI	12	6	4	2
Third XI	6	0	4	2
Colts XI	7	5	2	0
Junior XI	8	5	2	1
TOTAL	48	22	18	8

HOUSE CRICKET

Round 1: Meadows 57 (Jones 7 for 13), Hendersons 46 (Miller 4 for 5).
Joblings 117 (Lundie 73, Haynes 5 for 33), Strouts 76.

Round 2: Meadows 84 (Martin 52), Russells 24.
Joblings 91 (Goodman 5 for 29), Calverts 96 for 6.

FINAL HOUSE MATCH

Result: Calverts 41 (Miller 5 for 14), Meadows 43 for 0.

After some interesting games in the first two rounds, the final House Match was played at Chase Lodge on the afternoon of Monday, July 17th. The day was very showery with intervening bright periods, and Meadows, winning the toss, put Calverts in to bat. The wicket was quite easy-paced, but the Calverts opening batsmen scored very slowly off the bowling of Miller and Cullingford. After twenty minutes the first wicket fell, the score being 4. Bovington looked like increasing the rate of scoring, but was bowled by a well pitched up ball from Miller. Two more wickets quickly fell, both to Miller, and Calverts were 8 for 4. Pinnell made one or two good scoring shots but lost his wicket by an unusual stumping. Howell came in and showed his determination to score but was bowled by Gainsborough when running down the wicket. By this time it had begun to rain and the innings was completed under very unpleasant conditions, Calverts being all out for 41.

The rain soon passed over, and Meadows began their innings in sunshine with plenty of sawdust on the pitch. Martin and Sugg moved the score along comfortably at a good pace and neither looked unsafe at any time, although Goodman was bowling steadily for Calverts. Meanwhile clouds were blowing up and immediately after the winning hit had been made for the loss of no wicket, rain fell heavily. The match ended in a general rush for the pavilion, with Meadows deserving winners of the Competition.

ATHLETICS, 1950

The season's results cannot be reviewed too happily, the School winning only one of its four matches. This has been due, in part, to the prior claims of the major sports on some members of the Athletics team, and also to the earlier incidence of the Higher Schools Examination which took up a lot of time usually given to training. The main reason, however, for our lack of success has been a lack of training combined with a rather casual approach to the sport by some members of the team. I hope this will be a reminder that honour is only won by hard and serious training.

The first match was against the newly formed O.H. Athletics Club, the School performing creditably against an older team and losing by only two points. In the next match the School was defeated by a better trained and more experienced side from Emanuel School.

Unfortunately our match with St. Dunstan's College took place during the Higher Schools Examination and we could only field a

reserve team which lost a rather one-sided match, the result being of little value to either side. Our last match took place at the end of the summer term, and we succeeded in beating St. George's School, Harpenden in a very exciting match.

I should like to congratulate Miller on winning all his races, and Woolford on setting up a new School record for the Mile.

I should like to thank, on behalf of the team, Mr. Dudderidge and Mr. Thomas for their help in organising the team and matches. Also many thanks to Mr. Galley and Miss Savill and their staff for their services throughout a rather extended season.

M. W. ANDREWS, *Captain of Athletics*.

Colours were re-awarded to Miller and Golding, and new awards made to Andrews, Norman and Partington.

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In his review of the season, the Captain of Athletics has stressed the need for a greater concentration on training if we are to bring the standard of School Athletics to the same high level reached by certain other School sports. There is no doubt that we have in the School as many potential athletes as any school of similar type and size, and all that prevents our success is lack of preparation. It must be borne in mind that many natural athletes will continue to be prevented by prior claims of other sports from taking a serious interest in Athletics, and this cannot be helped. It therefore behoves the others to do all in their power to bear the burden. The facilities at School make evening training possible, and regular short sessions after school are of greater value than long sessions once a week. I take this opportunity of congratulating Andrews on his Captaincy and wishing him athletic success in the future.

J.W.D.

BOAT CLUB

From all points of view except the bringing back of trophies the past season has been outstanding.

We started the season with a light and inexperienced crew. As the season advanced these disadvantages were counterbalanced by a growing enthusiasm and esprit de corps. The credit is largely due to our Captain, I. M. Gloinson, and Vice-Captain, A. R. Cloote, whose appetite for work and extra practice has been an inspiration.

One milestone in the progress of School Rowing has been the fact that we were able for the first time to send a crew to Marlow, the Mecca of Public School rowing. On this occasion the crew was able to camp at Marlow for the week-end, owing to the kind co-operation of three people. Miss Vansitart-Neal lent us the camp site, Mr. Dudderidge the equipment, and Mr. Campbell invoked the aid of Miss Savill in undertaking the duties of camp quartermaster. We had the welcome support on the regatta course, of Mr. and Mrs.

Crossman and Mr. and Mrs. Small. The support from parents and friends of members of the Boat Club has been an encouraging feature of many of the open Regattas this season.

We carried the School Colours to Bedford Regatta, and had a very enjoyable stay at Cloote's Uncle's farm. The 1st IV were in good form and gave their best performance of the season, being only narrowly beaten by Bedford R.C. in the fastest time of the day for the event.

Our very high standard in the personal turn out of members of the crews has been fully maintained, and in this connection I should like to thank parents for their co-operation and forbearance. There must have been occasions when kit returned soiled, and the owner somewhat late.

In conclusion I must express our deep gratitude to all who have sent contributions to the Boat Fund, which now amounts to £53.

R.K.

SWIMMING, 1950

The Swimming season has been, on the whole, quite satisfactory. The Senior team had five matches, winning three of them, and in addition two Junior matches were swum.

Of the two matches the Seniors lost, the one against Berkhamsted might well have been far closer had training been possible in the School bath earlier in the term; and that against Mill Hill was lost by the narrowest of margins in the last relay race. The two Junior matches were lost, but this by no means gives a true account of our Swimming prospects for the future, for both matches were early in the term, and there had been little intensive training.

Training, as far as is possible in a public bath, was begun during the Spring Term and carried on until our own School bath was available. Times steadily improved during the term and by the end were considerably better than in previous years. In the Gala the 33½ yds. free style open event was won in 18 secs., 1.2 secs. faster than last year, and the 100 yds. free style in 68 secs., 6 secs. faster. The time of 21.6 secs. for 33½ yds. returned by Collins in the under 13 free style was also worthy of note.

We have, unfortunately, lost Davies this term, a valuable member of the team, but we can look forward with some confidence to next year, for the remainder of the team will still be intact. However, it must be emphasised that hard training will be necessary, for Swimming is not a sport in which it is possible to achieve success by dilatory or half-hearted application.

For the first time in many years Water Polo matches have been arranged and two played, both against St. Dunstan's. These, if not successes for the School, were at least very enjoyable occasions, and it is to be hoped that they will become a regular feature of School Swimming.

MATCH RESULTS

<i>Seniors</i>				<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Result</i>
<i>v.</i>	Berkhamsted School	...	...	25	36	Lost
<i>v.</i>	St. Dunstan's College	...	...	45½	26½	Won
<i>v.</i>	Mill Hill School...	...	...	29	31	Lost
<i>v.</i>	St. George's School	...	...	50	5	Won
<i>v.</i>	H.A.H.S. Old Boys	...	...	36	14	Won
<i>Juniors</i>						
<i>v.</i>	Berkhamsted School	...	...	24	27	Lost
<i>v.</i>	St. Dunstan's College	...	...	15	39	Lost
<i>Water Polo</i>						
<i>v.</i>	St. Dunstan's College	...	...	3	4	Lost
<i>v.</i>	St. Dunstan's College	...	...	0	5	Lost

TEAM MAKE-UP

Seniors: Jarrett (*Capt.*), Davies, Herd, Priestley, Peters, Metcalfe, Cloote, Maconachie.

Juniors: Johnson, Farrand, Fulluck, Reader, Kloss, Haley, Rickman.

Water Polo Team: Jarrett, Davies, Herd, Priestley, Metcalfe, Peters, Cloote, Woolford, Hughes, A. L.; *Reserve*: Foot.

Colours have been re-awarded to Jarrett and W. E. C. Davies. New awards have been made to Herd and Priestley.

The formation of an Old Boys Swimming Club, which has already swum and won several matches, will doubtless be a great incentive for boys leaving School to retain their swimming abilities, and help them to continue to practise and enjoy what is a very fine and graceful sport. It is very encouraging to note that many regular School swimmers are already members, but boys leaving School who are not members of the School swimming teams, and who would like to join a Swimming Club, will be made very welcome by the Old Boys. Those interested should contact the Captain of Swimming or Mr. M. McG. Chism, whose address is given elsewhere in this issue in an article on the O.H. Swimming Club.

The Captain's Report leaves me little to say beyond congratulating him on his term of office. Without fuss, he has led his team and inspired it by his example, and the swimming bath has never been used so much. All who have had anything to do with School Swimming are sorry to see Davies leave, and we hope that our loss will be to the advantage of the O.H.

J.W.D.

SWIMMING SPORTS

Friday, July 14th, 1950

1. Three Lengths Race (100 yds.): 1st Davies(C); 2nd Jarrett(M); 3rd Priestley(S); 4th Herd(R); 5th Cloote(S); 6th Peters(M). *Time*: 68 secs.
2. Back Stroke (Under 13): 1st Barnes(C); 2nd Bysher(S); 3rd Price(H); 4th Layland(C); 5th Stern(J); 6th Cramb(M). *Time*: 27.8 secs.
3. Back Stroke (Under 14): 1st Coe(M); 2nd Higgs(H); 3rd Haley(S); 4th Pettet(S); 5th Bate(J). *Time*: 28.6 secs.
4. Back Stroke (Under 15): 1st Reader(C); 2nd Farrand(H); 3rd Fulluck(C). *Time*: 25 secs.
5. Back Stroke (Under 16): 1st Priestley(S); 2nd Foot(C); 3rd Haynes(S); 4th Nash(H); 5th Elliott(C); 6th Borin(S). *Time*: 23.6 secs.
6. Back Stroke (Open): 1st Davies(C); 2nd Jarrett(M); 3rd Herd(R); 4th Peters(M); 5th Cloote(S); 6th Matthews(C). *Time*: 22.2 secs.

7. Free Style (Under 12) : 1st Fewkes(S) ; 2nd Barnes(C) ; 3rd Warwick(J) ; 4th Taylor(R) ; 5th Goldman(C) ; 6th Nourse(J). *Time : 25.6 secs.*
 8. Free Style (Under 13) : 1st Collins(C) ; 2nd Bysher(S) ; 3rd Layland(C) ; 4th Oppenheimer(S) ; 5th Price(H) ; 6th Doherty(C). *Time : 21.6 secs.*
 9. Free Style (Under 14) : 1st Pettet(S) ; 2nd Haley(S) ; 3rd Higgs(H) ; 4th Coe(M) ; 5th Dichlian(M) ; 6th Bate(J). *Time : 21.8 secs.*
 10. Free Style (Under 15) : 1st Farrand(H) ; 2nd Leverton(C) ; 3rd Johnson(S) ; 4th Fulluck(C) ; 5th Routley(S). *Time : 21.4 secs.*
 11. Free Style (Under 16) : 1st Priestley(S) ; 2nd Haynes(S) ; 3rd Elliott(C) ; 4th Foot(C) ; 5th Borin(S) ; 6th Nash(H). *Time : 19.4 secs.*
 12. Free Style (Open) : 1st Davies(C) ; 2nd Jarrett(M) ; 3rd Herd(R) ; 4th Sugg(M) ; 5th Peters(M). *Time : 18 secs.*
 13. Breast Stroke (Under 13) : 1st Oppenheimer(S) ; 2nd Wildman(C) ; 3rd Stephens(R) ; 4th Savage(M) ; 5th Cramb(M) ; 6th Stark(H). *Time : 29.6 secs.*
 14. Breast Stroke (Under 14) : 1st Kedgeley(C) ; 2nd Clark(H) ; 3rd Ovens(M) ; 4th Bate(J) ; 5th Richardson(M) ; 6th Coe(M). *Time : 27.2 secs.*
 15. Breast Stroke (Under 15) : 1st Johnson(S) ; 2nd Duke(J) ; 3rd Lincoln(C) ; 4th O'Brien(S). *Time : 24.8 secs.*
 16. Breast Stroke (Under 16) : 1st Priestley(S) ; 2nd Shiells(J) ; 3rd Foot(C) ; 4th Borin(S) ; 5th Marino(H). *Time : 23 secs.*
 17. Breast Stroke (Open) : 1st Jarrett(M) ; 2nd Herd(R) ; 3rd Metcalfe(M) ; 4th Sugg(M) ; 5th Peters(M) ; 6th Davies(C). *Time : 23.6 secs.*
 18. Diving (Under 14) : 1st Higgs(H) ; 2nd Pettet(S) ; 3rd Clifford(M) ; 4th Waldman(J) ; 5th Collins(C) ; 6th Pryke(C).
 19. Medley Relay (Hassett Cup) : 1st Meadows ; 2nd Strouts ; 3rd Russells ; 4th Calverts ; 5th Joblings ; 6th Hendersons. *Time : 1 min. 30.6 secs.*
 20. Diving (Under 16) : 1st Fulluck(C) ; 2nd Priestley(S) ; 3rd Haynes(S) ; 4th Kloss(S) ; 5th Sholl(H) ; 6th Molineaux(R).
 21. Junior Relay Race (Peavot Cup) : 1st Strouts ; 2nd Calverts ; 3rd Joblings ; 4th Hendersons ; 5th Meadows ; 6th Russells. *Time : 1 min. 26 secs.*
 22. Diving (Open) : 1st Jarrett(M) ; 2nd Davies(C) ; 3rd Maconachie, D.(R) ; 4th Maconachie, I.(R) ; 5th Wallis(S) ; 6th Sugg(M).
 23. Senior Relay Race (Taylor Wilson Cup) : 1st Meadows ; 2nd Calverts ; 3rd Russells ; 4th Strouts ; 5th Hendersons ; 6th Joblings. *Time : 1 min. 23 secs.*
- Points for Standard Performances : Calverts, 57 ; Hendersons, 30 ; Joblings, 26 ; Meadows, 35 ; Russells, 20 ; Strouts, 47.
- Thomas Arno Cup (for the Open events) : 1st Meadows, 46 ; 2nd Calverts, 25 ; 3rd Russells, 23 ; 4th Strouts, 10.
- Gregory Shield (for the whole competition) : 1st Calverts, 194½ ; 2nd Strouts, 193½ ; 3rd Meadows, 137 ; 4th Hendersons, 88 ; 5th Russells, 69 ; 6th Joblings, 66.

TENNIS CLUB

During the last year the Tennis Club has greatly increased in strength. A lunch-hour club was formed for both juniors and seniors. It has been encouraging to notice the interest that the Junior School has taken in tennis and it is hoped that this interest will continue and provide a strong School team in the future.

Because only two courts were available at School (there are now two new courts at Chase Lodge), we have used the three hard courts at Heathfield throughout the year, for the loan of which we are indebted to the Heathfield Park L.T.C.

The longest fixture list that the School has had provided almost one match a week for the School team. We again entered for the Glanvill Cup and Yule Cup but lost in the former to U.C.S. in the first round, and to Repton, who were the runners-up, in the first round at Wimbledon. Much experience was also gained during the many friendly matches in which we achieved fair success often against older and more mature teams.

A great deal of the progress made has been due to the patient and skilful coaching of Mr. V. Howard Byrne, professional coach to the Heathfield Park L.T.C., who visited the School every Monday evening throughout the term as a result of a grant received through the generosity of the Public Schools L.T.A.

Finally I should like to thank Mr. Campbell for the constant help and guidance that he has so willingly given, and also Mr. White who has helped the club in so many ways.

MATCH RESULTS :—

<i>v. Brighton College (Away)</i>	Won	5—3
<i>v. St. Paul's School (Home)</i>	Lost	4—0
<i>v. Old Haberdashers (Home)</i>	Won	5—2
<i>v. City of London School (Home)</i>	Lost	2—7
<i>v. U.C.S., Harrow County and Kilburn Grammar Schools</i> <i>(Glanvill Cup)</i>	Lost	1—2
<i>v. Highgate School (Away)</i>	Abandoned	
<i>v. Emanuel School (Home)</i>	Lost	2—7
<i>v. Highgate School (Home)</i>	Won	4—3
<i>v. Old Haberdashers (Home)</i>	Drawn	3—3
<i>v. Royal Masonic School (Away)</i>	Won	5—3
<i>v. Heathfield Park L.T.C. (Home)</i>	Lost	1—3
<i>v. Berkhamsted School (Away)</i>	Abandoned	
<i>v. Repton School (Yule Cup 1st Round)</i>	Lost	0—4
<i>v. Taunton School (Yule Cup, Plate)</i>	Lost	1—3

Members of Team:—S. Freilich, Supran, A. T. Williams, R. Fine, B. R. Sandifer, G. A. Wilson, Beaman, G. B. Jones, P. S. Robson.

Colours have been re-awarded to S. Freilich, P. S. Robson. New awards have been awarded to Supran, A. T. Williams.

P. S. ROBSON, *Captain of Tennis.*

COMBINED CADET FORCE

The Annual Inspection, which was carried out by Col. E. H. Goulburn, D.S.O., resulted in a satisfactory report, particular compliments being paid to the smart appearance of all cadets.

The Basic Section, it is pleasing to note, is maintaining the tradition of smartness on the parade ground; and the transfer of 8 cadets to the R.N. Section, 20 to the R.A.F. Section and 24 to the Army Section, should help to keep up the general high standard of the Corps.

The contingent was honoured by the presence of Air Commodore T. N. McEvoy (O.H.) at the Inter-Section Competition which was held for the first time at the end of the summer term. At the conclusion of the competition, which was won by the Army Section, the Air Commodore kindly addressed the competing teams.

At Bisley, the Ashburton VIII, while still a long way behind the winning team, produced a higher score than in any previous year, Cpl. Herd being awarded the N.R.A. Schools' Hundred Badge. With more experience and practice we hope for better results next year.

During the year 86 cadets passed the first part and 34 passed the second part of the examination for Certificate "A," 12 cadets obtained the R.A.F. Proficiency Certificate, while in the newly formed R.N. Section 15 cadets passed the A.B. Test.

BASIC SECTION

The results of the initial year's training have been highly satisfactory. All members of the Basic Section passed their Recruits Test at the end of the second term, and, with the exception of one cadet who was absent, all passed the first part of the examination for Certificate "A" at the end of the third term.

On the miniature range 15 cadets qualified as first class shots, the highest score, 68 out of 70, being obtained by Cadet J. N. Pollock. On the open range, Cadets Ridge, Skinner and White gained their places in the Ashburton Team while Cadet Spencer represented the School in the Cadet Pair Competition.

ROYAL NAVAL SECTION

The R.N. Section, launched early this year, is now well under way. Lieut.-Commander I. C. Macintyre, R.N., who inspected the Section in the summer, reported, "If progress continues as it has in the first six months since the formation of this Section, it can look to the future with some confidence."

After two term's instruction, 15 cadets passed the Able Seaman test and they are now preparing for the examination for Leading Seaman. The Section is most grateful for the continued assistance in training given by Commander H. H. McLean.

Annual camp was held aboard H.M.S. *Implacable* where a most interesting time was had. It is hoped that more cadets will avail themselves of the opportunity of spending a week aboard a warship next year.

Promotions:—To Acting Petty Officer, L/S Gloinson; To Acting L/S, A.B's Cloote, Kimber, Wild.

ARMY SECTION

The principal events of the past term have been the Annual Inspection, the examination for Certificate "A," Field Day which was held at Chobham Common, the Inter-Section Competition and Annual Camp.

The Inter-Section Competition resulted in a clear win for the Army Section which gained first place in drill and shooting and came a close second to the R.A.F. Section for turnout. Camp this year was held at Crowborough. The small but select party which attended not only had an enjoyable week's training but brought credit on itself in the Guard Mounting and the Drill Competitions. All cadets and in particular C.S.M. Jones, are to be congratulated on the good results. A fuller account of the camp is appended below.

The following cadets passed the examination for Certificate "A": Beal, Beckett, Bennett, B. W., Collett, Cullingford, Dancer, Davies, Freilich, Goldman, Hawgood, Harper, Herd, Hughes, Lumsden, Maconochie, Martin, Michael, Mievile, Morrison, Newman, Pinnell, Sandifer, Shiells.

CROWBOROUGH, 1950

The Third Annual Camp since the war was held at Crowborough West Camp, Sussex. The party was rather smaller than in previous years, 18 N.C.O's and 11 cadets making up the platoon.

The training was less strenuous than in previous years, apart from a map reading exercise which covered a distance of about 17 miles and in which only the officers failed to return in good time. There were various demonstrations arranged, one by the Royal Engineers being remarkably well laid out and explained. Now several of our members are at least qualified in the use of the pneumatic drill.

Our night operations were not a complete success since none of the attacking patrols reached the objective within the time limit: and the only defenders who did anything except shoot at their own men were those in the patrol under Mr. Turner, an officer of the South Lancashire Regt. who was attached to us for the period of the camp. We are most grateful to him for all his work for us.

On the Thursday we travelled down to the Crumbles Range for a day's open range shooting. All members of the party fired a group at 100 yards and application at 200 yards.

In the Guard Mounting and the Drill Competitions we did considerably better than at any previous camp, finishing second in the Guard Mounting and third in the Drill. In both our position was due in great part to the excellent turnout of all members of the platoon. The exceptional smartness achieved by both squads should do much to raise the standard of the unit and may result in more members of the Corps going to Camp next year.

In spite of the small size of the party, it will be agreed by all who attended both this camp and either of the two other post-war camps that from all points of view this year's camp was the most successful of the three. We are grateful to all our officers who worked hard to make Crowborough a happy memory for all who were there.

J.H.C.

R.A.F. SECTION

On account of the new examination arrangements in the summer term it was very difficult to carry out much continuous training. During the earlier weeks only one N.C.O. was available, and in the latter part of the term the majority of the rank and file were missing for various reasons. It was found possible, however, to hold a Proficiency examination in May, when some of the more venerable members of the section contributed to a hundred per cent. success.

The annual C.C.F. Inspection took place on June 9th, and the Royal Air Force was represented by Squadron-Leader Collinson of 65 Group. The termly Field Day was held on June 16th, when a visit to R.A.F., Halton, was arranged at very short notice. This proved an enjoyable and instructive day. The section was represented at the exhibition on Speech Day by a display on similar lines to that of last year.

At the last parade of term the Schools Liaison Officer, Squadron-Leader Stubbs, spoke to the whole contingent, and was accompanied by Air Commodore McEvoy and Pilot-Officer Spiers. A new Cranwell film was shown. Our visitors subsequently witnessed an inter-section drill and shooting competition, in which the R.A.F. section gained second place after securing top marks for turn-out.

During the Easter holidays F/Sgt. Willetts accompanied the Lower School of John Lyon to R.A.F., Chivenor, where he did his annual training. At the same time Cadets Bartlett and Pollard went to Cranwell with the Emanuel School contingent. A much larger party than usual, including many of our latest recruits, spent a week at Cranwell at the end of July. Every cadet had three flights, and there were opportunities for swimming and physical training in addition to useful training in service subjects. It was unfortunately necessary to change our quarters halfway through the camp, but our rather young party put up with this inconvenience cheerfully, as they did with the considerable amount of marching from point to point that was inevitable. The official keeper of the camp log reports that all members enjoyed their week at Cranwell, and are eager to return next year.

Increase of Strength : Alexander, A. K. ; Bastin, E. R. ; Beales, P. J. ; Beaman, M. ; Brown, B. G. ; Elliott, C. P. ; Fine, L. S. ; Hall, A. ; Hall, J. C. ; Horne, R. H. ; Jarman, P. D. ; Jones, R. B. ; Kellett, J. M. ; Milligan, R. N. D. ; Rotheroe, J. W. ; Spencer, P. F. ; Trott, K. F. ; Varne, R. ; Weatherley, M. R. (With effect from 1/9/50.)

Decrease of Strength : F/Sgt. Willetts, D. J. ; Sgt. Hurd, R. G. ; Cpl. Ladd, P. ; Cdts. Bartlett, M. W. ; Bastin, A. J. ; Bawden, R. ; Foster, D. J. ; Laws, B. ; Maxwell, I. S.

Promotion : Cdt. Pollard, D. L. to be Corporal with effect from 27/7/50.

Proficiency Certificate : Cdts. Bastin, A. J. ; Bawden, R. ; Beckley, J. A. ; Laws, B. ; Martin, R. H. ; Maxwell, I. S. ; Taylor, J. C. (22/5/50).

Advanced Training Badge : Sgt. Hurd, R. G.

Gliding "A" Certificate : Cdt. Bastin, A. J.

R.A.F. Swimming Training Certificate : Cpl. Metcalfe, G. N. ; Cdt. Elliott, C. P., (Cranwell 1/8/50).

SPECIAL SERVICE UNIT

Although much of our training is done out of the public view, the results of our work are very self-evident, for throughout the summer the renovated lawn and fine show of flowers has drawn favourable comment from both members of the School and visitors.

The boatbuilders completed a second canoe and another group will soon begin on a replica of an Eskimo Kayak of the Greenland type. This will be used for training in sea canoeing and for display work in the Bath. During the summer holiday the canoes already built were used by a group of boys on a canoe camping expedition up the River Thames to Marlow.

Mr. Moody, whilst continuing to lead a study group in Civics, has also undertaken to direct gardening operations in place of Mr. Barling whom we have lost to the classroom.

The boys who took elementary first aid qualifications in the early part of the year have now commenced training for an advanced examination, whilst a new elementary course has received strong support. We are fortunate in having the enthusiastic guidance of Mr. Campbell in this sphere.

In the near future we hope to develop further and include fire fighting in our training scheme.

Field Day in the summer term took a variety of forms.

One group which had been taking a course in Camp Craft spent a week-end in camp near Marlow, gaining experience in lightweight camping under the guidance of Mr. Campbell and being put through an intensive short course in canoe handling by Mr. Dudderidge. We were greatly indebted to the Warden of Bisham Abbey Recreational Training Centre for the loan of the canoe fleet maintained there. Bisham Abbey is well known to many present boys and Old Boys who have had Sports Training Holidays there during the last few years. Other members carried out assignments involving journeys afoot or awheel in the Chilterns and calling for intelligent interpretation of instructions collected en route.

The working party devoted the whole day to garden and field.

Mr. Thomas has given valuable service in the preparation of boys for the several examinations of the Royal Life Saving Society, and we congratulate him on a hundred per cent. success.

Section Leaders: Group 1—A. Bausor, B. King, C. Simons, D. Williams.

„ 2—A. Crampton, B. Benghiat, C. Darke, D. Freeman.

„ 3—A. Sarner, B. Jefford.

Increase in Strength:

Sarner, Fisch, Haverfield, Neale, Thompson, Ullman, Jefford, Boost, Cowan, Crossick, Darke, Fuller, Miller, Reiss.

Decrease in Strength:

Section Leaders: Cox, King, Robinson, Powell, Goldstone.

Unit Members: Sugg, Woolf, D. E., Sewell, Bussé, Carey, Bramson, Abbott, Lewin, Goodman, Peters, Bennet, J. H., Dexter, Robson, Harrington.

J.W.D.

SCHOOL SOCIETIES

ABBOTT CLUB

It is with some regret that we view the Society's activities during the summer term. Due in some part to the imminence of the Higher School Certificate Examination, and in some part to a dearth of intelligible speakers, the standard of debating was not high. The motions were in general uninspired, the views expressed trite and often inane, and the principal speeches were remarkable more for their brevity than for their brilliance.

The intellectual gloom was, however, occasionally dispelled by a shaft of repartee from King, a taciturn observation by Morrison, or, more rarely, a pertinent remark from Howell; and Fabian could often be looked to for a spate of interesting, if somewhat involved, dialectic.

The Society is indebted to Burgess for a closely reasoned dissertation on "Immortality," and to King for several displays of political erudition. No less deserving of thanks are Bennett, the able secretary, and our President, Sewell, whose machinations will long be remembered.

R. A. GREEN.

THE CHESS SOCIETY

As is usual in the summer term, the activities of the Chess Society were somewhat limited, one match only being played, against John Lyon's School, Harrow, which was won by 5 points to 3. In addition, a lightning tournament was held and was so successful that it merits a repetition in the near future.

Above all, it is hoped that the membership of the Society will increase in the next School year, as an interesting programme is being arranged. Keen players from the fourth forms will be particularly welcome.

J. F. RISBY.

CHRISTIAN UNION

Owing to the examinations taking place throughout the summer term our activities were somewhat fewer than usual. However, several discussions were held, and, in spite of the small attendances, they were of real value to those who were able to come.

In our object of fellowship as a source of strength and encouragement we would ask all those who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Saviour, and also any others who are thinking seriously about Christian matters, not to hesitate to come. We feel that our witness in School and elsewhere is greatly enhanced by sharing opinions and experiences, and by fellowship, and we trust that our Union will not fail to bear fruit abundantly.

A. G. E. BURGESS } *Hon. Secs.*
J. I. BAUSOR }

DRAMATIC SOCIETY

The members of the society, having had a short rest after the last production, read plays by Shaw and Sheridan during the summer term. The final choice for this year's School Play is "The Rivals" by Sheridan. In this eighteenth century comedy we find ourselves yet another century nearer to the present time. In what year, I wonder, will our scenery department have the task of turning the school stage into a piece of lunar landscape?

G. B. BINDING, *Hon. Secretary.*

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

During the summer term members of the society saw two films on bird migration in North America, and heard an interesting lecture by Professor E. H. Warming on "Birds in London," illustrated by lantern slides.

On the last Thursday of term a party of 25 (including some members of the Lower School N.H.S.) spent a very good day at Whipsnade Zoo. Besides seeing the animals in the park, many wild birds and flowers were identified. The Society is grateful to Mr. Campbell for conducting the party, and to Burgess, its new President, for its successful organisation.

More than 400 parents visited the Natural History Exhibition on Speech Day at which members had provided a large variety of exhibits.

The Society continues to be indebted to Mr. Small for his help and guidance as Patron, as well as to Mr. Cooper and Mr. Payne for their interest and help.

D. A. BROWN } *Hon. Secs.*
J. C. LORD }

PHOTOGRAPHIC CIRCLE

Last July we made our adieu to M. J. Grabow who was the secretary and founder of the Circle. We offer him our gratitude for all that he has done, and hope that he will continue to be associated with us.

We had quite a full summer programme, consisting of a demonstration of "Fine Grain Development," and many very successful outings, including visits to Kew Gardens, High Wycombe, Kodak's and Northolt Aerodrome.

The Annual Photographic Competition this year was divided into two classes—competitors over 16 and competitors under 16. Mr. Hewitt, Mr. Allsopp and Mr. Keevil kindly consented to undertake the task of judging, and the results of the competition are as follows:—

Over 16 :	(1) Martin, 6B.Sc.	(2) J. A. Rose, 6A.Sc.
Under 16 :	(1) J. A. Rose, 4B.	(2) Snowman, 4A.

Certificates of Merit were also awarded to two competitors under fourteen years old who entered self-developed prints, and many of the entries were used to supplement our Speech Day Exhibition.

Next term's programme is being arranged, and as the long winter evenings draw near, we shall replace outings by lectures and dark room work, although we hope that our representative team of photographers will continue to avail themselves of the opportunity of photographing School events.

In conclusion, I would like to offer my grateful thanks to the Headmaster, to our President, Mr. H. L. Allsopp and to our Patron, Mr. Payne.

J. A. ROSE, *Hon. Secretary.*

SCIENCE LIBRARY

The use of the Library by the Sixth Forms has again increased, especially towards the time of the examinations. I hope this increase will be maintained during the autumn term and that members of the Senior Forms will take full advantage of the benefits offered by the Library.

The Lower School has shown its enthusiasm by making full use of the Library.

Many thanks are due to Mr. H. A. W. Shea for his help and interest, and to the Assistant Librarians for their co-operation.

We must also thank the following for their kindness in presenting books to the Library: Bramson, S. Goldstone, R. A. Lacey and the Rev. A. S. Taylor, who gave many books on biology.

J. W. TURNER, *for Science Librarian.*

SCHOOL LIBRARY

B. W. R. Bennett became School Librarian when W. F. Corpe left during the summer term, and he has carried out the duties with equal readiness. With the help of the Assistant Librarians G. B. Morrison, D. A. Jones and J. A. Grabow, he began a re-classification of the books. Unfortunately the Library had to be emptied for the decorators during the holidays, and some of the work had to be done again. The Library has thus been out of use for longer than we expected. However, with its new paint, it looks a far more cheerful and attractive place, and we hope it will be put to full and proper use.

We acknowledge gifts of books from the following: Mr. Guy Eagleton, Mr. L. Roberts; W. F. Corpe, T. Burgner, B. Sewell, J. P. Simons, D. J. Willetts, A. J. Dickson, D. E. Woolf.

T.E.S.

CHOIR FESTIVAL AT ETON

On Thursday, June 15th, the Choir took part in the Festival of Public School Choirs, organised by the Royal School of Church Music. As last year, the Festival was held in the Chapel of Eton College.

The Service consisted of Evensong. The Responses were the ordinary Ferial ones and the Psalm was No. 34 sung to a chant by Ouseley. The Canticles were sung to Walmisley in D minor. There were three Anthems: "Let Thy Merciful Ears" by Thomas Weelkes; "All the Ends of the World" by William Boyce; and "O Thou, the Central Orb" by Charles Wood. There were also two hymns: "Fill Thou My Life" to the tune Richmond; and "Ye Boundless Realms of Joy" to Croft's 148th.

The Festival was under the able Conductorship of Dr. Sidney Watson. The Choirs sang with assurance; and their versatility was apparent in the way in which they grappled successfully with the varied kinds of music, from the Polyphany of Thomas Weelkes to the more modern School of Music represented by Charles Wood. One left Eton with the satisfying feeling that the Festival had been the best of its kind so far.

CONFIRMATION, 1950

The following members of the School were confirmed by the Bishop of Willesden in St. Francis Church, Gladstone Park, on July 6th, 1950: Baker, J. E., Bancroft, D.G., Baxter, T. R., Bennett, M. A., Breedon, C. W., Burren, K., Carter, C. I., Church, P. D., Clay, J. R., Collins, M. T., Coultard, R. D., Cox, J. D., Darke, P. D., Davies, B. S., Dodson, K. R., Gardner, A. H., Gillespie, D. L., Glass, A. G., Goad, J. N., Handscombe, R. S., Heissig, H. N., Hingley, C. G., Hughes, G., Hughes, J. G., Humby, R. J., Irwin, J. R., Jeffries, P. O., Kedgley, D. R., Kibble, B. G., Lord, J. C., Lowe, J. G., Mann, R. G., Mercer, J. S., Neal, E. T., Palmer, B. F. G., Pearce, D. R., Price, C. D. E., Pryke, T. J., Readman, N. J. P., Richardson, A. G., Routley, J. H., Smith, B. S., Vacher, P. J. S., Vane, M. J., West, F. I., Willcocks, B. J. They made their first communion on July 12th, when they were joined by over 40 past and present members of the School, and the whole company had breakfast together at the School.

Since the Confirmation the Bishop of Willesden has become Bishop of St. Albans. As his successor we welcome the Rt. Rev. Gerald Ellison. The next School Confirmation will be on July 3rd, 1951, and classes will begin in January. The Chaplain will be very pleased to prepare any boys for Confirmation before that time, if they are leaving School before the end of the School year.

THE REV. A. S. TAYLOR

In July we said farewell to the Rev. A. S. Taylor who had been a member of the Staff of the School since September, 1943. He came during the war years to help with the teaching of Biology, and as Vicar of the Church of St. Francis, Willesden Green, he prepared many of our boys for Confirmation. In consequence a strong link has been established between the School and the Church, with mutual benefit.

In 1947 "Father" Taylor, as he became affectionately known, was asked to devote all his available teaching time to religious instruction, and as School Chaplin he took prayers in Hall one morning each week and assisted at the Carol Service, Speech Day Prayers and other School functions. In October, 1948, he conducted the Memorial Service at which the Book of Honour containing the names of Old Haberdashers who gave their lives during the war was presented to the School. Each term a Corporate Communion Service for the School was held, and each year boys were prepared for Confirmation by the Bishop of Willesden in the Church of St. Francis. During the time of preparation Father Taylor visited the parents of every boy who was to be confirmed, and these visits were much appreciated.

Father Taylor has gone to be Rector of the Church of St. Mary, Port Elizabeth, South Africa, and we wish him and Mrs. Taylor God's blessing in their new sphere of work.

THE TRANSITORY EXISTENCE

A poor man's son,
I strove, and won—
True life began.

Great was my land,
At my command
A servant ran.

Little I heeded ;
Nothing I needed
Of any man.

Then, in my wealth,
With vicious stealth,
Fate struck. . . .

Suffering I lay,
My hoard a prey
To theft.

My pleasures past,
Life ebbing fast,
Nought left.

Restless I tossed,
True riches lost :
Bereft.

J.F.R.



HABERDASHERS HALL
(Destroyed by enemy action 29th December, 1940)

HARVEST CAMP, 1950

The camp this year was held at North Cadbury near Yeovil in Somerset.

After ten years in Kent, where we were well known among the farmers, we received a kindly welcome from all the Somerset people. Everyone was most helpful and we soon found ourselves among friends. Our billet was an excellent village hall—complete with stage, dance floor, kitchen, scullery—not to mention bath, with hot water and modern sanitation. The dance floor was rather a trial to the camp organiser as it was used as the dormitory. The farms were all dairy with only a few acres of corn. The weather was against us but nevertheless work was found for everyone and we made ends meet ; but the train fares were much higher, so the net amount each member got was much less than in previous years.

We quickly made friends with the villagers and some of our star-turn cricketers were invited to play for the village team. In addition we played the village boys on the village square. This game ended in a draw. The Headmaster and Mrs. Taylor very kindly paid us a visit and we were able to entertain them to lunch.

The Somerset Agricultural Labour Officer paid us several visits. At the end of camp this officer sent us a letter of appreciation for our work and the excellent way we had looked after the loaned equipment and the clean state in which we left the village hall. Our thanks must be extended to Mrs. Wickes who gave us excellent meals and did everything without any help from anyone. The floors were scrubbed so often that the camp organiser had to try and stop Mrs. Wickes from overworking. Miss Langman of Cadbury Court could not have done more for us—helping us with the names of farmers who were most likely to employ us and on wet days finding work for those who had to be stood off due to the weather.

Mrs. Parker, who looked after the hall, welcomed us as friends and did everything possible to make our stay a happy one.

Finally, as camp organiser, I should like to thank all the farmers for whom we worked for their unfailing kindness and helpfulness to me personally ; I came as a total stranger and felt when I left that I had made some good friends. I must also thank the people who supplied us with the necessities of life. Mr. Vallais at the Post Office store was indeed a tower of helpfulness and made my job of catering so much easier.

I should like to emphasise that the harvest camp could not have been held without the help of Mr. Craig and Mr. Manning who have given up part of their holidays for several years now.

H.C.O.

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA

One day in July school boys and girls from all over Europe converged on a small London hotel. From Athens and Helsinki, from Dublin and Istanbul, they came. I was at the hotel, too. We were the lucky twenty-two from twenty-one countries, who were assembling at the beginning of "Hands Across the Sea", an International Friendship tour of the United States sponsored by Youth Incorporated, a private American youth organisation of Nashville, Tennessee. The visit was designed to show us the American way of life. It included a fortnight's camp with Americans of our own age, and visits to all sides of life in Nashville—banks, factories and farms.

After a short stay in London we flew to New York in an American Overseas Airlines Constellation. This was a unique experience. It is very hard to keep a sense of time and distance when the itinerary reads: breakfast at Shannon, lunch over mid-ocean, tea at Gander and supper in New York. The brief stops at Gander and Boston gave us our first glimpses of the New World. It was all very much like England. People spoke with that American drawl, and we soon got acquainted with the Coca Cola machine. Yes, "Coke"—the national refreshment, the most widely advertised and the most popular drink, obtainable for a modest nickel. In cafes, in shops, in cinemas and circuses, in factories, everywhere a scarlet "coke" machine is to be found yielding ice cold bottles of the life-giving liquid.

New York in July can be very hot, as we found to our cost. But the New Yorkers live in a world of electric fans and air-conditioned rooms in summer. In the streets things are made more unpleasant by car fumes and the dirt of a large industrial city. The cinemas and theatres attract attention by advertising "It's cool inside." Of course, New York is a wonderful place with an atmosphere all of its own. The skyscrapers, the flashing neon advertisements and the clamour of traffic in the canyon-like streets give it an air of throbbing activity and excitement.

One day we visited Lake Success and saw the Trusteeship Council in action. Excitement was running high as this was only one week after the start of fighting in Korea.

Nashville was our headquarters, of course, and we spent most of our time in this town. Before our six weeks were over we came to look upon this southern city and its people with real affection. It represents a fairly typical city of the "South," steeped in the history of the war between the States, and surrounded by the delightful rolling countryside of Middle Tennessee. I found a lot of very pro-British feeling and also much very prejudiced criticism of our socialist government. The days in camp passed very quickly and we learned a lot in the many lively discussions we had with the "yanks" on everything from atom bombs to athletics.

Our travels took us to gangster-ridden Chicago, sunny Florida and majestic Washington D.C., where we met President Truman in the White House. We saw the great Tennessee Valley Authority scheme, talked with performers at the Ringling Bros. Circus in Chicago and made radio-active dimes at the Oak Ridge atomic plant.

But these are not the outstanding impressions of the visit as a whole. It is the ordinary American people that I shall always remember. Never have I met such wonderfully kind and warm-hearted people. Their hospitality is renowned but they surpassed all expectations with their complete unselfishness. It is these people; brought up in a great tradition of freedom and democracy, that make America great. And it is these frank, honest people that have for ever endeared themselves to me, in association with Nashville and "Youth Incorporated," whose generosity I can never repay, but whom one day I mean to re-visit.

J. U. M. SMITH.

EXAMINATION RESULTS, 1950

HIGHER CERTIFICATES

Andrews, M. W.	Corpe, W. F.	King, M. S.
Bennet, G. D. A.	Dickson, A. J.	Tunkel, W. V.
	Fabian, S.	
Abbott, L. I. R.	Fine, R. C.	Marson, J. P.
Back, H. J.	Golding, M. C.	Pearce, K. W.
Bausor, J. I.	Goldstone, S.	Postle, C. N.
Beal, J. C.	Goodman, P.	Robinson, T. B.
Blackburn, J. D.	Green, R. A.	Smith, J. U. M.
Bowsher, J. M.	Humphries, R. W. A.	Taylor, J. C.
Bramson, M. J.	Hurd, R. G.	Turner, J. W.
Bussé, M. J.	Jackson, P. F.	Weiss, J. S.
Chambers, E. D.	Jones, G. B.	Willetts, D. J.
Cooper, J. H.	Levin, M. L.	Williams, J. E. C.
Cox, P. J.	Maconachie, I. P. H.	Woolf, D. E.

SCHOOL CERTIFICATES

M Abbott, L. I. R.	Henry, A. M. D.	M Newton, J. M.
M Bancroft, J. M.	Herzog, J. O.	M Parker, G. D. M.
Bastin, A. J.	M Honey, J. N.	M Read, F. H.
M Baty, C. J.	M Hunter, B. F.	Richardson, E. J.
M Benghiat, A.	Kilroy, J. G.	M Sims, A. F. E.
Bennet, J. H.	Kimber, M. P.	Skrimshire, A. J. H.
M Collett, J. F. A.	M Lang, D. F.	Smails, W. P.
Darke, B. M.	Laws, B.	M Spatcher, D. N.
M Field, T. H. E.	M Leonard, W. K.	M Stark, H. P.
M Freeman, M. M. R.	Lumsden, M. S.	M Sugg, P. D.
Glass, A. G.	M Maconachie, D. J.	Thomas, M. J.
M Harris, D. J.	Manwaring, J. L.	Wallis, J. W.
Harris, N. Z.	Matthews, V. C.	Williams, P. B.
M Harris, P. W.	M Metcalfe, G. N.	Wilson, G. A.
M Haynes, J. P. G.	Michael A. C.	Wren, C. J.
	M Newton, A. M.	

M—Exemption from Matriculation.

HOUSE NOTES

CALVERTS

Last year Calverts reassumed the position of first House after a temporary lapse. The recovery was not, however, occasioned by any decrease in the total of impositions incurred, whose proportions mounted to the disconcertingly high levels typical of recent years. What brought it about was a remarkable series of successes in the sports competitions.

The Senior Rugby Shield was won for the fourth successive year and the success of the Junior team, who scored eighty-two points in their two matches, augurs well for future years. Our entries for the Boxing competition were also highly successful, sharing first place in the senior and second place in the junior competition. Of the other spring competitions, fine performances by W. E. C. Davies, Pinnell, D. A. Jones and Morrison secured us second place in the Athletics competition, while our cross-country runners obtained third place for the House.

The summer term brought us a series of more unexpected successes. A good innings by Kimber and steady bowling by Goodman secured us an unexpected place in the final round of the Cricket competition, while splendid performances by Davies, notable among many others, gave us first places in both the Shooting and Swimming competitions.

The formidable lead thus obtained in the points contributing to the Crossman Shield was, however, none too large to counter-balance the almost equally formidable total of negative points amassed throughout the year. Although it may be too much to expect the obvious and welcome vitality of the House to express itself entirely in positive activity, it must be remembered that the almost inevitable decrease in the number of points acquired for sports this year must be accompanied by a proportional decrease in negative points.

Finally, I would like to express the gratitude of the House to W. F. Corpe, who captained us for the first two terms, to G. D. A. Bennet who put in so much work as vice-captain and recorder, to P. Goodman, his successor as recorder, and particularly to Mr. D. W. Small who has watched over us with such active interest.

The following are entitled to wear House Ties: Benghiat, J. H. Bennet, Honey, D. A. Jones, Keen, Kimber, Morrison, Newman, Pinnell, Skrimshire, Spatcher, Stark.

M.J.B.

HENDERSONS

This year has been one of mixed fortunes for Hendersons. Our success in the Work and Conduct Shield has not compensated for our failure in most of the Games competitions and hence our poor result in the Dunton Shield.

To look on the bright side first—most members of the Upper House contributed to our winning the Upper School Work and Conduct Shield, although particular mention must be made of M. A. Bennett, Sims, and Read whose efforts in this sphere gained them their House Ties at the end of the summer term.

As regards the Games competitions, great expectations were held of the Cross-Country, Athletics and Cricket teams, but they failed in a disappointing manner. Only in Boxing and Shooting has the House gained any measure of success; the juniors won their section of the Boxing, whilst the seniors came second in their competition. The Shooting team gained second place in the Coules Cup. Our Junior Rugger XV played well to reach the final but then deservedly lost to Calverts.

On behalf of the House, I should like to thank Jones for the great amount of work and enthusiasm he gave to House affairs before his resignation of the House Captaincy at the end of the autumn term, owing to pressure of work as School Captain. Our thanks are also due to Marson, the Vice-Captain, Beal, the Recorder, and Hanson and J. B. Davies, the Lower School officials. It now remains for me to express the sincere appreciation of the House for all the untiring efforts of our Housemaster, Mr. Hewson.

J.D.B.

JOBLINGS

It is with a Joblings' Captain's customary feeling of disappointment and frustration that I review this last year. "Lethargic and apathetic" completely summarises the attitude of the majority of the House.

The Upper School members, however, have steadily progressed and it is gratifying to find so few Joblings in the Detention and Lines Books. The points for work, however, are still by far the lowest, thus offsetting the good conduct record.

The juniors are again to be congratulated on winning the Lower School Work and Conduct Shield in spite of the fact that their minus points are so high above those of any other House. Their performance in the Sports was not up to last year's high standard, although Irving is to be congratulated on being runner-up to the Victor Ludorum.

Our efforts in the Inter-House Games competitions have again been only mediocre. Although our Senior Fifteen and our Seven were well beaten, congratulations are due to all who helped us to reach both finals.

In the Fives competition we were joint runners-up with Hendersons and we were most unfortunate to lose the Basket Ball on goal average after beating the eventual winners. In Athletics, Boxing and Swimming shortage of talent may partially account for our failures, but lack of enthusiasm played as large a part. Playing down to our opponents in the semi-final of the Cricket prevented us from reaching the final and deprived us of valuable points.

Thanks are due to Burgner and Mayoss for the services they rendered to the House, and last, but not least to Lundie for the help he has given us in the final term. He is also to be congratulated on his winning of the McPhaile Prize.

All I can do now is to repeat what captain after captain has said—that the Dunton Shield can only be won by the continuous efforts of every member of the House and not only by those few who consistently do far more than their fair share of work for the House.

It is my hope that we shall achieve far greater success in the future through the united efforts of the whole House.

M.C.G.

MEADOWS

The past year has brought more success for Meadows than has been usual for many years. However, we could very easily have been more successful. We obtained second place in the Dunton, Crossman and Upper School Work and Conduct Shields, but in the first two that position was entirely due to our winning the Cricket. Without this success we should have finished sixth in both competitions. Also, in the Work and Conduct competition we were in a good position to overhaul Hendersons and take first place at the end of the spring term. That we did not do so was wholly due to the efforts of a few boys who lost many points by bad work and frivolous conduct. Let these boys realise that only the points they lost stood between Meadows and first place in the Work and Conduct Shield.

In Sport, apart from Cricket, our record has been consistently disappointing. Our efforts in both the Upper and Lower School Boxing suffered from the general apathy in the House, and the resulting lack of entries. Both our Rugby teams were defeated in the first round but the House Seven deservedly won their competition after a rather lucky win over Calverts in the first round. Perhaps our biggest disappointment came in the Cross-Country where a good senior team finishing second was grievously let down by the juniors who came such a bad sixth that, in the combined competition, we finished sixth. Our solitary major success came in Cricket where, after narrowly beating Hendersons in the first round, we had easy wins over Russells and Calverts. In this we owe much to Gainsborough's captaincy and to Martin's batting, particularly his fifty against Russells.

In all sports practically all the work has fallen on a very few boys and there has been very little interest or enthusiasm from the remainder of the House. This is particularly true of the Lower School members. While this state of apathy remains there is little hope of real success for the House. Boys must realise that when, for instance, their House Rugger team has a match there is as much, if not more, need for support from the touchline as there is in a School match. When every boy in the House throws himself heart

and soul into supporting the House in everything, then will Meadows achieve the highest honours. All members of the House will agree that Mr. Crossman has worked extremely hard for the House through the years and that nothing less than an all-out effort by every boy would be a fitting reward for his constant interest and encouragement.

J.H.C.

RUSSELLS

A definite improvement has been made this year in the House, resulting in an advance from bottom to third position in the Dunton Shield. This has been due to an extra effort by all members of the House.

We started the year well by sharing the Boxing Shield with Calverts but we failed to reach the final in either of the Rugger competitions, although winning the first rounds.

The spring term was one of success, for we obtained first position in the Athletics, Cross-Country, Fives and Basket Ball competitions and were runners-up in Rowing.

Unfortunately, low positions in the Shooting and Swimming and a failure of the batting in the first round of the Cricket competition confined us to third position in the Crossman and Dunton Shields.

Special mention is due to Norman for his performances in the Rugger, Cricket and Athletics, to Andrews, who led the Athletics team to victory, to the Cross-Country team, who finished sixty-two points in front of the second House and lastly to Goldstone and B. W. R. Bennett for their work as recorders.

I should like to thank D. J. Wilkins whose hard work as House Captain in the first two terms helped to put Russells in the running again, and finally Mr. Knight whose experience and guidance has supported the House throughout the year.

House Ties have been awarded to the following: Wilkins, Granger, Andrews, Grabow, Willetts, Goldstone, Norman, Woolford, B.W. R. Bennett, Goldberg, Allwright, I. Maconachie, D. Maconachie and Herd.

A.J.W.

STROUTS

The death of B. P. W. White at the beginning of the spring term came as a great shock. He did well both at work and at games, and will be a great loss to the House. We extend our deepest sympathies to his parents.

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It seems inconsistent that the House which won the Dunton Shield in 1949 should find itself in the fourth position at the end of the summer term. The year started with every expectation of continued success, but the House was quickly disillusioned at the close of the first term, when we had no games points at all to our

credit, after coming sixth in the Upper School Boxing. However we finished fourth in the new Crossman Shield for Sports, chiefly due to the keenness of certain individuals.

In Rugby we were beaten in the second round in both the Junior and Senior competitions, whereas our defeat by Russells in the Seven-a-side was rather unlucky. The Cricket XI also was beaten by Joblings in the first round after a keen match. We came an unexpected second in the Cross-Country, Bartlett, Darke and M. E. G. Jones doing particularly well. After being third in the Shooting and sixth in the Fives, we were very unlucky to be beaten in the Swimming by one point. Priestley, again the mainstay of the team, was well supported by other juniors and is to be heartily congratulated on his performance. Established as the strongest Rowing House, this year we won the competition with a team which was also the School 1st IV. This and the Junior Athletics were our chief successes. In the latter the House finished first with a clear lead, and Brett was a worthy winner of the Individual Championship—a fine performance. Supran won the Senior House Tennis Singles Final and the Junior Basket Ball team, under the able leadership of Borin, proved superior to all opponents.

In points awarded for work Supran and O'Brien were outstanding; however certain boys (luckily a small minority) lost points for bad work, thus rendering the efforts of others useless. There were the usual recurrent offenders in the Detention book. Suffice it to remind them that it is they who obliterate any hopes of regaining the Dunton Shield on the part of conscientious members of the House.

This year for the first time House Ties have been awarded for all-round services to those who have not only gained points for the House, but who have also lost none.

There has undoubtedly been a flourishing House spirit this year, particularly in the Fourth and Lower School forms. Provided this is preserved and every effort is made to stem the useless loss of points through misbehaviour, then next year may prove once again that Strouts are prepared to make the best use of their latent ability.

In closing it is difficult to find any original way in which to thank Mr. Pask. He has always been more than willing to help in House affairs; his interest has extended into every sphere of activity. Every member of the House will join me in thanking him most sincerely. The Officials, Gloinson, the Vice-Captain, Martin, the House Recorder, and also Partington, have always been efficient, and their interest has helped to make this year most enjoyable and instructive from the House Captain's point of view. May I wish the House the very best of success in the forthcoming year.

A.J.D.

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS

THE DUNTON SHIELD

1. Calverts	...	...	1,267 pts.	4. Strouts	...	...	922 pts.
2. Meadows	...	...	1,087 „	5. Joblings	...	...	919 „
3. Russells	...	...	991 „	6. Hendersons	...	...	860 „

UPPER SCHOOL WORK AND CONDUCT SHIELD

1. Hendersons	...	...	1,619 pts.	4. Joblings	...	...	1,124 pts.
2. Meadows	...	...	1,389 „	5. Strouts	...	...	1,023 „
3. Russells	...	...	1,243 „	6. Calverts	...	...	843 „

THE CROSSMAN SHIELD FOR GAMES

1. Calverts	...	...	162 pts.	4. Strouts	...	...	76 pts.
2. Meadows	...	...	92 „	5. Joblings	...	...	60 „
3. Russells	...	...	82 „	6. Hendersons	...	...	56 „

UNIVERSITY LETTER

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY,
BELFAST,
N. IRELAND.
Trinity Term.

Dear Sir,

Your recent publication of a letter from Manchester University has prodded me into activity and I have attempted, in some small way, to throw some light on the life and work of the chief academic establishment in the remaining portion of "John Bull's Other Island"; I refer to the Queen's University, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

After a careful search, I am forced to the unhappy conclusion that, from the point of view of fellow Haberdashers, I am quite alone here, although rumours reached me that B. J. Woolf was coming up to read English. His delay in appearance for over a year has now begun to cast serious doubts in my mind as to his eventual arrival. However, I have met H. Spiro, who attended the School long before I did. This latter gentleman is described as "normally resident in Northern Ireland."

This University was built in 1845 as a College of the Royal University of Ireland and was styled Queen's College, Belfast. Its sister colleges were to be found in Cork, Dublin and Galway. Historic events, commencing in 1909, led to the break-away of the three last named colleges, which then became the University Colleges of the new National University of Ireland; this seat of learning became Queen's University, Belfast.

Belfast itself is not a beautiful city; even the loyalest of loyal Ulstermen will freely admit that, for beautiful Ulster cities, one visits Armagh or Downpatrick.

Life in the University is more primitive, but more democratic than in the great Universities of England. For instance, the President of the Literary and Scientific Society, the equivalent (if I may make so bold a comparison) of the Oxford and Cambridge Union, is a woman. Take heed, men of the Isis and Cam.

Although a small University of some 3,700 students, Queen's has the largest single Medical School in the United Kingdom (and Eire). Medicine is consequently the forte of the University. Other faculties are Engineering (all branches), Dentistry, Economics, Law, Theology and Arts. I deliberately place the "non-scientific" faculties lower in the list, for any Irishman will tell you: "It's Queen's for Science and Trinity, Dublin, for Arts, sure." No doubt Dr. McLellan will concur.

Our college pleasures are, in the main, "home-made," as the college authorities have an overwhelming philia for "cramming" and I hereby lay claim to being a member of the hardest-working University in these islands!

The community is made up mainly of inhabitants of the four (or five) home countries, but there are many from the Commonwealth, with special emphasis on the West Indies.

The University, despite its late Gothic and Modern buildings, is probably more famous for its Rugby Football (two victories over Oxford in 1948-49), supplying three members of the British Isles Rugby team which toured New Zealand this summer; they were Jack Kyle, Billy McKay and Noel Henderson.

For Rugby and most other sports there are playing-fields, delightfully named "Cherryvale," a gymnasium more flamboyantly described as "Sans-souci Park" and a swimming bath.

The newly constructed Whitla Hall is rated second-to-none as a concert and debating hall with near-perfect accoustics and seating for over 2,000.

The College Orchestra and Choir are developing rapidly after a recent post-war re-establishment. These are in the capable Welsh hands of Drs. Ivor Keys and Evan John.

Our two Unions (one for each sex) are sadly lacking in amenity. The Puritan Scottish blood of the Ulsterman forbids the construction of a bar, but Barber's shop and Coffee Lounge are being installed. True to type, however, the new Medical Block at the Royal Victoria Hospital includes an establishment for the purveyance of the stronger form of beverage.

The climax of the Academic Year is undoubtedly Students' Rag Day during Hilary Term, the object of which is the collection for various charities, by the sale of the "Rag" magazine "Pro Tanto Quid" and various other entertainments, during the course of which, I am afraid, the original object is often forgotten.

I would, indeed, have liked to welcome any school-leavers, particularly Medicals, to this University, but, unfortunately "cross-channel" students are no longer accepted at the Medical School, so, unless some aspiring Theologian, Artist or Scientist would care to apply for entry, I am afraid I shall have to remain a lone Haberdasher, explaining to all (except the Vice-Chancellor, who is an old Citizen) how our school received its name.

I am proud to be, as far as I can gather, the first and maybe the last to carry the name of our School to Queen's University.

C. H. MISHON.

CAUGHT IN A TUNNEL

I fled into the tunnel mouth,
Direction I just hoped was south.
I ran, for they were on my heels;
And heard the sound of squeaking wheels:
But, as for knowing where I was,
I had not time to think, because
The noise I heard came closer, now:
"Come here; come here; I've got you now!"
And in the night I gave a scream;
But just to find I'd had a dream.

D. E. BARTLETT.

A LITTLE KNOWLEDGE IS A DANGEROUS THING

It was a cold November evening. A thick pea-green fog lay heavily in the streets, and were it not for the lights in some of the shop windows it would have been quite dark, for the light from the meagre supply of street lamps could make very little headway against the dank, green wall of mist and smoke. John Albert was walking slowly and unconcernedly down the main road. John Albert always looked unconcerned when he was working, for it was part of his job; although it did not matter tonight, for no one was likely to notice him. A strong smell of beer made him stop, and he realised that he was outside a pub. He was just about to go into the warm smoky atmosphere when a man, reeking of spirits, stumbled heavily against him, and nearly knocked him over. The man muttered an apology and lurched into the night.

"Oh, I can't go in there," he thought, quite revolted by the stench, and walked on. This was not like his own respectable suburb, but still, a young detective who wants to be successful must gain experience in the slums as well as in the duchess' house.

He turned into a small, greasy little Italian café and got himself a cup of muddy coffee. He sat down and began to think. There had been three large tobacco thefts recently, the last one last night. It was always the same, the theft, and two days later an empty van which had been abandoned. Where did they hide the loot? Where would he be likely to find any information about it? In that pub he passed just now? Should he go back? No, it was quieter here, although the smell of garlic was a little oppressive.

As he sat there thinking, a tall foreign looking gentleman came in and went straight up to the fat little Italian behind the counter. They began to whisper to each other.

"A likely character," thought John Albert, and he went up to the counter to order another cup of coffee. As he neared the two men he heard the proprietor whisper, "We think it come about one o'clock." He looked away hurriedly and prepared the coffee. This time John Albert sat down a little nearer to the counter to try to hear more of the conversation. He was unsuccessful. "It was delayed last night", he heard the Italian say, but that was all.

Ah! The last theft of cigarettes had taken place the night before. They were to come here tonight. John Albert's heart leapt for joy. Here was a clue. He left the café, and spent the next few hours at the local police station. He gave directions where they should go if he called, and about twelve o'clock he went out into the thick night.

The time was a quarter past twelve. He arrived opposite the Italian café. There was a light in the front room upstairs. So the household was not entirely asleep. Half-past twelve. No sign

of life outside. Then, suddenly, a large black car glided up to the door of the café. A tall man got out and the door was opened. He went in, and the night was silent again.

"Probably the boss," thought John Albert, and he waited. Five minutes later a huge van drove up to the café, and two men jumped out.

"The stolen van, the cigarettes." He did not wait to see any more, but quietly ran to the nearest telephone box. Five minutes later a squad had joined him in the neighbouring street. They went straight to the café, and five strong men having been sent to the back, John Albert knocked loudly on the door. It was surprising that the men were not yet unloading the loot. He had expected to catch them red-handed, but. . . .

The door was silently opened and the agonised face of the owner peered out. Two strong arms held his, and he began to babble something in Italian. He looked frightened, annoyed, and disgusted all at once. "And good reason he has to," thought John Albert triumphantly.

The Italian continued his stream of talk. He could not help it—What would papa say?—It was a disgrace, but what could he do?

Two constables led the way to an inner room, and to John Albert's surprise they found the two men drinking large mugs of tea and eating sandwiches. They were immediately seized amid loud curses, and the little Italian became more frightened. He did not know it would cause so much trouble, it was not his fault—Oh! the disgrace!

He led them up a narrow staircase, onto a small landing. He flung open a door on left, and a rather dark room was seen inside.

"There," he said, white with rage, "I have the best doctor in London, and it turns out to be a bambino (girl)—for my first—what will papa say—Oh! the disgrace!"

G.B.B.

BETWEEN OURSELVES

It was the night of January 29th, 1648, and I was undressing in my closet before retiring for the night. As I cast off my doublet, my meditations turned to the day's occurrences, the subject which the entire country was eagerly discussing, the impending execution of Charles I. Soon I was in bed, and before long, asleep, and my subconscious mind began to function. . . .

A hand gripped me firmly by the shoulder, and I was aware of a person standing over me.

"Your Majesty! the executioner is awaiting you."

I shuddered, but soon recovered my regal dignity, dressed and accompanied my escort through the ante-chamber of my Whitehall Palace.

I paused for an instant to survey the scene before me. Thousands of expectant people were hushed as the Palace clock struck eight, the fateful hour. These people, once my loyal subjects, had now come to witness my execution. Oh, how inhuman! I, King of England, was about to undergo the humiliation of a public execution.

We continued on our way, not uttering a word, both deep in thought. The moment had arrived for the large iron door leading to the Palace square was opening. Taking a deep breath I attempted to adopt an heroic air and slowly walked through the door for the last time, and made my way to the small, insignificant platform erected before the Palace.

The crowd was tense, and as I looked round, the sombre grey buildings surrounding the square seemed to smile sardonically upon me. Before me, the banqueting hall majestically stood aloft, contemptuous of the scene before it.

As I mounted the steps of the platform, I saw those cruel, gleaming eyes of the man responsible for this ceremony—Oliver Cromwell. I gave an involuntary shudder but proceeded to my place and quietly awaited my fate.

Solemnly, the executioner unrolled the parchment and read the condemnation; a priest prayed for my soul and I was then led to the executioner's block. I slowly knelt down and placed my head in the hollow. . . .

Suddenly I felt a hand firmly gripping my shoulder. I was vigorously shaken, and came to my senses in a cold sweat, to realise thankfully that it had all been a dream.

A figure loomed over me, and I heard a voice dimly saying, "Your Majesty! the executioner is awaiting you."

R.J.C.

INFERNO

We roared out of the grey mistiness of the clouds and were suddenly confronted by what seemed to me, one of the passengers on the 'plane, to be the red flames of hell. Before the pilot could do anything we were flying right through this fire, and the hungry tongues of flame were scorching and burning the sides and belly of our aircraft. As we flew on, getting lower and lower every minute, it grew hotter inside the 'plane and the rest of the passengers seemed suddenly to awake to the full realisation of the fact that in a very few minutes they would be but charred ashes in a burnt-out wreck. They began to panic, shouting and screaming like lunatics I once saw in a mental home near Paris, and, while this was going on the irrelevant thought flashed through my mind that it would be interesting to know whether the fire was caused by some natural means or whether it really was the flames of hell into which we were slowly and inexorably gliding.

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- G. D. A. BENNET (1942-50)—VIA Modern. Calverts. Sub-Prefect, 1949. House Vice-Captain, Recorder, 1949. General Schools and Matriculation, 1947. Higher Schools, 1950. Fifth Form Prize, 1947. 1st XV, 1949-50; Colours. Finchley Public Schools XV, 1948. Boxing Team, 1945-50; Colours, 1948-49-50; Vice-Captain, 1949-50. Cross-Country Running Team, 1948-50. C.C.F. (Army Section); Cpl.; Cert. "A" Pts. I and II (War); Pirbright, 1948. Badminton Club. C.C.P.R. Training Courses, Bisham Abbey, 1948-49. Seal, 1948. Governors' Leaving Award. Entrance to London School of Economics.
- M. J. GRAYBOW (1942-50)—VIA Modern, Special. Russells. Sub-Prefect, 1950. House Recorder, 1949. General Schools, 1947. Matriculation and Higher Schools, 1949. School Cross-Country Team, 1949-50; Southgate Harriers 3rd Team Medal. School Choir, 1944-50. J.T.C./C.C.F. (Army Section), 1944-50. Staff Sgt. Cert. "A" (War) Pts. I and II; Technical Cert. in Rly. Op., 1950. Chess, Music and Science Societies. Founder Sociological Society; Chairman, 1947-49; Vice-President, 1950; Statistical and Survey Committee, 1949. Abbott Club Committee, 1949. Secretary National History Society, 1949; President, 1950. Photographic Society, Founder and Secretary, 1949-50. Dramatic Society, 1944-50; Productions: "Twelfth Night," 1947; "Hamlet," 1949; Cosmetics Dept., 1950. Charity Organiser for Upper School, 1950. Contributor to THE SKYLARK. London District Council, C.E.W.C., Committee, 1949-50. Xmas Conferences, 1948 and 1950. B.B.C. Broadcast in Overseas Service, 1950. Youth Forums, 1949-50. S.E. Middlesex Inter-Schools Discussion Groups Committee, 1949-50. Appointment to Teach at Orwell Park School, September, 1950.
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- D. J. WILLETTS (1943-50)—Vla Science. Russells. Sub-Prefect. General Schools and Matriculation, 1947. Higher Schools and Inter. B.Sc., 1949. 3rd XI, 1948-49-50. C.C.F. (Air Section); Flt.-Sgt./Instr.; Prof. Cert., 1948; Thorney Island, 1947; Manston, 1948; Chivenor, 1950. Science Society, Committee, 1950. Seal, 1946-47-48-49. North Cadbury, 1950. Governors' Leaving Award.
- M. J. BRAMSON (1943-50)—Vla Science. Joblings. Sixth Form Privileges. General Schools and Matriculation, 1946. Higher Schools and Inter. B.Sc., 1949. S.S.U. Science Society. Music Society. Sociological Society. Film Society. Mathematical Society. Seal, 1946, 49. Governors' Leaving Award.
- D. J. FOSTER (1943-50)—Vla Science. Strouts. Sixth Form Privileges. General Schools and Matriculation, 1948. 1st XV, 1948-49; 1st XXX Colours, 1948-49. 1st XI, 1950; 1st XXII Colours, 1950. Boxing Team, 1945-50; Colours, 1950. Athletics Team, 1949-50. C.C.F. (Basic Section); Cert. "A" Pts. I and II (War); (Air Section); Prof. Cert. Geographical Society. Kleine Scheidegg, 1948.
- P. GOODMAN (1943-50)—Vla Science. Calverts. Sixth Form Privileges. House Recorder, 1949-50. General Schools and Matriculation, 1948. Higher Schools and Inter. B.Sc., 1950. Assistant Science Librarian. 3rd XI, 1949-50. R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion. S.S.U. Science Society. Sociological Society. Governors' Leaving Award. Entrance to University College, London.

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- G. E. DEXTER (1944-50)—VIb Modern. Hendersons. General Schools and Matriculation, 1949. 3rd XI, 1950. Tennis Club. S.S.U.
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- A. T. WILLIAMS (1945-50)—VIb Modern. Meadows. General Schools and Matriculation, 1949. Tennis Team, 1950; Colours. Assistant Librarian. C.C.F. (Basic Section); Cert. "A" Pts. I and II (War); (Naval Section). Sociological Society. Dramatic Society; Productions: "Hamlet," 1948; "The Alchemist," 1949.
- W. E. C. DAVIES (1945-50)—VIb Science. Calverts. General Schools, 1949. Third Form Prize, 1947. Swimming Team, 1948-49-50; Colours, 1948-49-50. Boxing Team, 1945. Water Polo Team. Athletics Team, 1950. Athletics Prof. Award. R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion. C.C.F. (Army Section); L/Cpl.; Cert. "A" Pts. I and II (War); Armourers Course, Chelsea, 1948; Pirbright, 1949; Crowborough, 1950. Science Society. Norfolk Broads, 1950.
- P. S. ROBSON (1943-50)—VIb Science. Russells. General Schools, 1949. Matriculation, 1950. Tennis Team, 1949-50; Colours, 1949-50; Captain, 1950. S.S.U. Kleine Scheidegg, 1948-49; Saas-Fee, 1949-50.
- M. E. WILLIAMSON (1945-50)—VIb Science. Joblings. General Schools and Matriculation, 1949. 2nd VIII, 1948-49; 1st VIII, 1949-50; Jnr. IV, 1949-50; Half-Colours, 1949-50. C.C.F. (Basic Section); Cert. "A" Pt. I (War); (Naval Section); A.B. Science Society. Christian Union.
- P. D. SUGG (1945-50)—Vm. Meadows. General Schools, 1949. Matriculation, 1950. 3rd XI, 1950. Athletics Team, 1950. R.L.S.S. Bronze Medallion. S.S.U. Geographical Society. Sociological Society.

- J. G. KILROY (1944-50)—Vr. Meadows. General Schools, 1950. C.C.F. (Army Section); L/Cpl.; Cert. "A" Pts. I and II (War); Armourers Course, Chelsea, 1947; Pirbright, 1948-49. (Air Section). Sociological Society. Dramatic Society; Productions: "Hamlet," 1949; "The Alchemist," 1950. Photographic Society. Woodwork Society.
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- M. W. BARTLETT (1945-50)—Vr. Strouts. Cross-Country Running Team, 1950. Boat Club, 1947-49. C.C.F. (Basic Section); Cert. "A" Pt. I (War). (Air Section); Marksman's Badge, Cranwell, 1950; Bisley, 1949-50. Photographic Society. Sociological Society. Appointment to Barclays Bank, 1950.
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AT LAST

The great day has dawned. At last I am to receive the long awaited aid for which I have been kept in suspense, some six months in all. During these agonising months I have been handicapped by a look of perpetual anguish upon my countenance. This was not through *having* the objects concerned but through *not* having them. I had to endure great pain to qualify for them and, after the pain, I had to go through humiliation beyond compare. Prying eyes, questions, and blushes when I had to answer. And what was I to receive? Why, a pair of false teeth!

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sat., Feb. 3rd—ANNUAL DINNER at the School. Tickets 15/- each from L. J. Miller, 13 Richborough Road, N.W.2. Early application will be appreciated. Please use the form enclosed.

Wed., March 7th—RUGBY CLUB DANCE at Hendon Hall Hotel. Tickets 17/6 (double) from J. S. Alexander, 1a Sinclair Grove, N.W.11.

Sat., May 5th—ATHLETICS MATCH *v.* The School at Chase Lodge.

Sat., July 14th—CRICKET MATCH *v.* The School at Chase Lodge.

Thurs., Oct. 11th—RE-UNION and ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING at the School.

Thurs., Oct. 25th—ANNUAL DANCE.

Sat., Dec. 1st—RUGBY MATCHES *v.* The School at Chase Lodge.

Sat., Dec. 1st—RUGBY CLUB DINNER at Hendon Hall Hotel.

THE CLUB IN 1949-50

The 1949-50 Club Year has been one of progress and rehabilitation after the decline in interest which was, perhaps, the legacy of the war. Younger members have come forward to play their party in forming new "Minor Clubs" which provide a variety of interests for Old Boys. There is, however, one section still awaiting resuscitation, and a most important section it proved in years gone by. This is the Dramatic Society. There is plenty of talent among O.H. members and feminine interest, we feel sure, would not be lacking. Will not some Old Boy interested come forward and "have a go" at re-forming the Dramatic Society? This is an appeal which we hope will not go unanswered.

The Dinner, first ever to be held at the School, proved a record success. Other functions have not enjoyed the same attendance and the Dance attracted a small number of Old Boys despite the pleasant evening which this function entails and the moderate price fixed by the Committee. Most Old Boys wish to see a thriving H.O.B.C. They like to feel that they are members of such an organisation. But there are still not enough who do their part to achieve this admirable aim. Our new President is Dr. T. W. Taylor, Headmaster of the School, and the Club's best wishes for a most successful year of office are sincerely offered.

A. G. JENKINS, *President*, 1949-50.

ANNUAL DANCE

The Annual Dance was held on Wednesday, October 11th, at Hendon Hall Hotel and once again proved a most pleasant function. The attendance, however, was disappointing, about 80 being present, though some 600 circulars giving details and ticket application forms had been sent out to members. This is an evening designed to attract the younger members of the Club and the cost is adjusted accordingly, but so far those for whom it is intended have made a most disappointing response. But in spite of the small numbers the evening was most enjoyable, and the Club's thanks are due to L. J. Miller, the Hon. Secretary, for the excellent arrangements.

OLD BOYS RE-UNION AND A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting of the Club and Old Boys Re-Union were held at the School (by courtesy of the School authorities) on Thursday, November 2nd, some 150 members of the Club being present in addition to senior boys of the School and members of the School staff. The retiring President, A. G. Jenkins, was able to record a year of progress and expanding activities, due to more enthusiasm among junior members who had formed further minor clubs. Congratulations were offered to the Swimming Club on its successful revival and to the Athletics Club on its successful

debut. The Shooting and Boxing sections had not met with the response expected but a further effort is to be made in the New Year to organise these new activities. The H.O.B.C. Hon. Secretaries will be pleased to hear from any Old Boy interested in any minor club if he does not know with whom he should get in touch. The new President, Dr. T. W. Taylor, was installed in the Chair and the Club registered its sincere thanks to Donald Yale and W. H. J. Duncombe, retiring respectively from the posts of Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Registrar of the Club. A resolution was also passed empowering the Committee to release, if occasion arose, the second debenture held on Old Haberdashers Sports Ground on such terms as the Committee might decide. The evening concluded with musical entertainment by Mr. Bertram, Baritone, and Mr. Peter Atlas, an Old Boy, who gave a most enjoyable conjuring display. The Club also expressed its appreciation of the efforts of the School catering staff in providing excellent refreshments.

ANNUAL DINNER

The 53rd Annual Dinner will be held at the School on Saturday, February 3rd, 1951. As accommodation is limited, early application for tickets is advisable. They will be available in the New Year from the Joint Hon. Secretaries. Last February over 150 members attended the Dinner and with the Headmaster in the Chair it is hoped to establish a new attendance record.

CLUB REGISTER

Many forms sent out in connection with the compilation of the H.O.B.C. Register have not yet been returned. Members who either have not received the forms or have mislaid those sent to them are asked to apply without delay to L. J. MILLER,
13 Richborough Road, N.W.2.

O.H. RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

President: J. E. G. MOODY

Hon. Sec.: A. G. JENKINS, 36 Fordington Road, Highgate, N.6.
Tel. : TUDor 6011.

Hon. Treas.: M. J. JACKMAN, 22 Crawford Avenue, Wembley.

The Season 1950-51 has not opened propitiously, for the first four matches yielded no victory and only one drawn game, though the fifth match *v.* Berkshire Wanderers produced a 14-0 win. Old Millhillians were more incisive outside the scrum and the many chances given the O.H. backs went begging. Some improvement was noticeable in the Old Dunstonians game, but against Stroud, making their first visit to Elstree, it was the same story and against United Services (Chatham) even more so. The forwards, with N. R. Parker in fine hooking form, gave the backs many chances but there is neither the pace nor the eye for an opening to take advantage of the major possession of the ball.

It is early days to say whether this fault can be corrected as the season progresses, but the A XV in beating Old Merchant Taylors A, showed useful form, and there are promising players in the three junior sides.

Those who have visited the Elstree ground will have noted improved tea arrangements for visitors and honorary members, and will doubtless have approved the condition of the playing area itself. When the final settlement of the ownership question is made, it is hoped to develop the ground into a first-class sports ground with, eventually, accommodation for spectators as well as players. In the meanwhile, the Club is pleased to welcome all Old Boys and their friends at the matches each Saturday. The ground is reached by L.M.R. Railway to Elstree Station, by 712, 713 Green Line or 107 Bus from Barnet, or 141 from Edgware, to the "Crown," Boreham Wood. Turn up Theobald Street, adjoining, and the ground is six minutes' walk on the right. By road, the route is by Barnet By-pass to Stirling Corner whence turn left and then first right (Furze Hill Road) through to the "Crown," Boreham Wood.

The following are leading fixtures at the ground :—

<i>Nov.</i>	25	1st XV	<i>v.</i> Old Cranleighans
<i>Dec.</i>	2	" B " XV	<i>v.</i> Woodford " B "
	9	Ex " A " XV	<i>v.</i> Bank of England Ex " A "
	16	" A " XV	<i>v.</i> Streatham " A "
	23	Ex " A " XV	<i>v.</i> Old Blues Ex " A "
	30	" A " XV	<i>v.</i> U.C.S. Old Boys " A "
<i>Jan.</i>	6	1st XV	<i>v.</i> Sidcup
	13	" A " XV	<i>v.</i> Saracens " A "
	20	1st XV	<i>v.</i> Middlesex Hospital
	27	1st XV	<i>v.</i> Bank of England
<i>Feb.</i>	3	" A " XV	<i>v.</i> St. Thomas's Hospital " A "
	10	1st XV	<i>v.</i> Old Blues.
	17	" A " XV	<i>v.</i> R.N.C. Greenwich " A "
	24	(International)	
<i>Mar.</i>	3	1st XV	<i>v.</i> Birmingham
	3	" A " XV	<i>v.</i> Birmingham " A "
	10	1st XV	<i>v.</i> Old Rutlishians
	17	(International)	
	24	Easter	
	31	1st XV	<i>v.</i> K.C.S. Old Boys
<i>April</i>	7	Ex " A " XV	<i>v.</i> Bantams.
	14	North-Western Seven-a-Sides	

OLD HABERDASHERS' SPORTS GROUND

In this issue appears a plan of the O.H. Sports Ground at Elstree in the form it is expected to take when the negotiations with the London County Council are completed. In view of the time which has elapsed since the ground was acquired, a brief history of events leading up to the present position is appended.

The existing freehold of some $7\frac{3}{4}$ acres at Theobald Street, Boreham Wood, was acquired in 1935. It was at that time natural pasture land with a uniform fall to one side and some agricultural drainage. The ground purchase was financed out of accumulated funds of the Rugby Club and by an issue of £2,300 of 1st mortgage debentures to Old Boys and friends. The pavilion was only completed after an intensive drive for loans and donations from the same source and with the help of the Norton Memorial Fund. The pavilion is dedicated to the memory of the late Stanley Norton. The keenness and persistence of a group of Rugby Club members at the time was alone responsible for overcoming initial difficulties and securing the ground and pavilion but shortage of funds was a handicap on the pre-War development of the ground.

First matches were played at Elstree in 1936 and the President of the Rugby Football Union formally opened the ground in the following September. In the three seasons which followed certain improvements were made and by summer 1939 the ground was in as good a condition as it could be without major expenditure on drainage. At the outbreak of War negotiations were in hand for the purchase of a further strip of ground in front of the pavilion.

The Club did not play again at Elstree until September, 1946, and in the intervening years the ground had been used by the Army, the Home Guard and the A.T.C. By an unlucky chance three bombs fell across the upper pitch in 1941 and the craters undoubtedly interfered with the natural drainage. In August, 1946, rumours of the L.C.C.'s interest in the Boreham Wood area were current and confirmation was soon received that a Compulsory Purchase Order was to be promoted which would include the ground. Since then, therefore, the O.H.R.F.C. committee has been unable to make any long-term plans for the improvement of the ground and buildings because if the Club was to be evicted, there was no point in spending its limited funds with little chance of compensation.

The committee wisely decided at an early stage not to object to the Purchase Order but to press for reinstatement on a similar ground. Enquiries were made in all possible areas and the L.C.C. was provided with a mass of evidence to show that no suitable alternative ground was available by private negotiation. The Council thereupon offered to reinstate the Club in an area very near to the existing ground and though the area selected was quite unsuitable for playing fields, except at prohibitive cost, agreement on the main principles was reached in October, 1949.

Difficulties then arose between the London and Herts. C.C.'s as to the planning of the area as a whole and a delay of over a year ensued before the points at issue were clarified. In the meantime the Club was quite unable to take any steps to improve or extend the ground and was forced to adopt temporary and unsatisfactory measures to cope with serious difficulties.

Finally, however, in November, 1950, the L.C.C. was able to inform the Club that they would in fact retain the existing ground. Negotiations as to the exact terms of the deal are not yet completed but it is possible to disclose the basic points as follows :

1. The L.C.C. will acquire the freehold of the existing ground and grant an 80 years' lease of the ground subject to certain modifications.
2. Most important of these are that the frontage land to Theobald Street (the present car park) will be surrendered by the Club and an additional area of $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres immediately in front of the pavilion will be included in the lease.
3. Access to the ground will be from a new Estate Road running alongside the pavilion.

The Plan shows generally the future lay-out of the ground providing three rugby pitches and a cricket square. The present rural surroundings and delightful views to Cowley Hill will go owing to building of the new estate. But it hoped that all members will appreciate that the future ground will represent the best possible scheme in the circumstances.

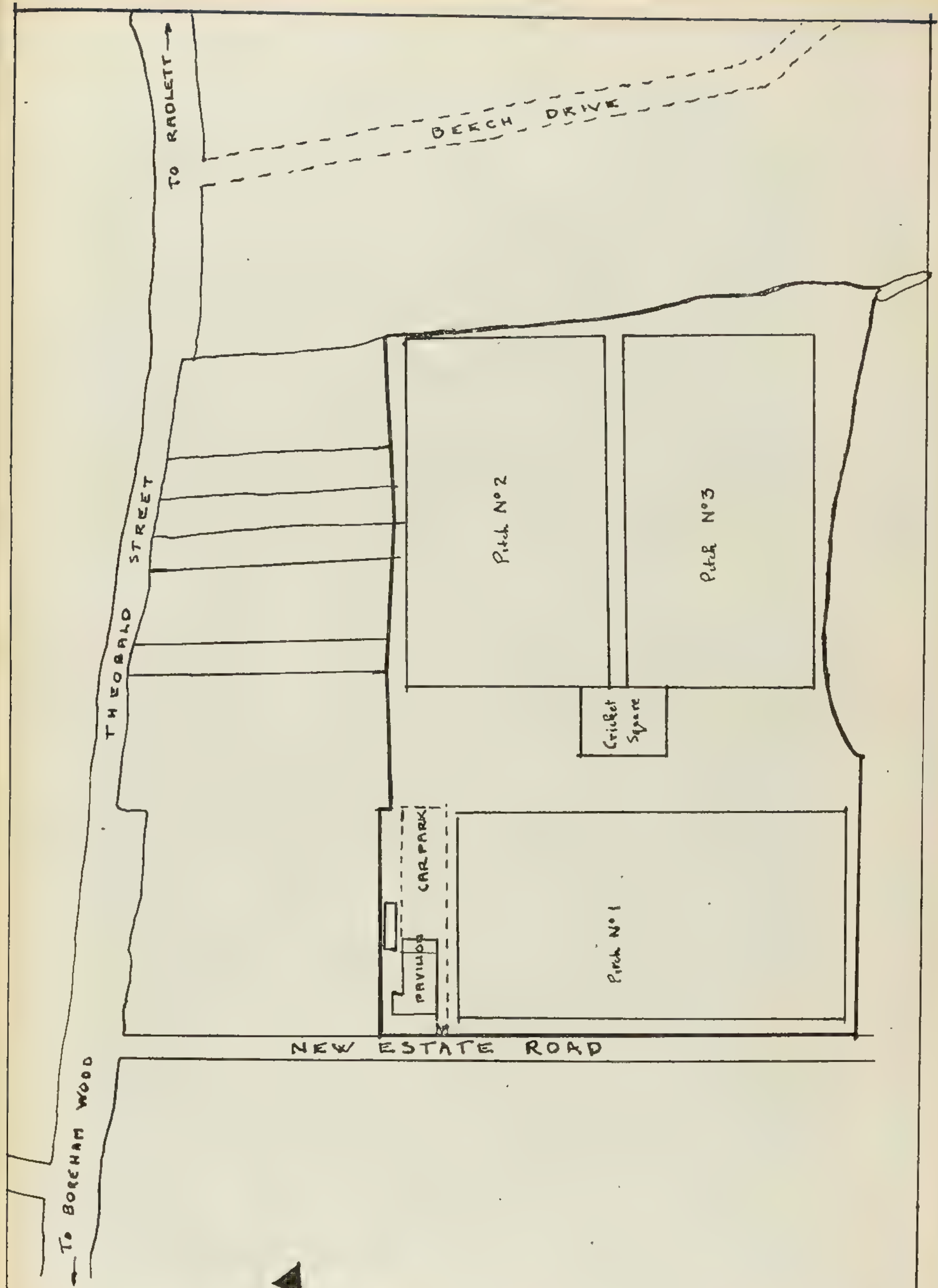
The new scheme involves three main operations :

- (a) levelling and draining of the additional land in front of the pavilion. The committee feels that this is the chance and the time to lay-out a first-class pitch and that the money *must* be found if the opportunity is not to be lost ;
- (b) the extension of the pavilion to provide additional tea-room accommodation. The Nissen Hut now used will, of course, no longer be available ;
- (c) the provision of permanent living quarters for the resident groundsman.

Fencing, paths, drainage on the existing ground, will be additional tasks.

Cost of the above is estimated to approach £3,000. Upon the sale of the freehold the existing £2,300 of 1st mortgage debentures will, of course, fall due for repayment but it is hoped that the Club's friends among the holders of these debentures will see fit to accept a fresh security and thus help to finance the new ground requirements. When negotiations are completed a comprehensive scheme will be submitted to all Old Boys and their friends to help provide a first-class permanent Old Haberdashers' Sports Ground.

In the meantime the directors of Old Haberdashers' Sports Ground Ltd. and the Committee of the O.H.R.F.C. are deeply conscious and appreciative of the immense amount of work done over these post-War years by their Hon. Surveyor, K. H. Blessley, and of the work still to be done to bring this plan to fruition. Thanks to the foresight of G. B. Jamieson, Wm. C. Brett, and others in 1935, we *have* a ground. We feel confident that the generation which has followed will help to develop it.



OLD HABERDASHERS' GROUND

BOREHAM WOOD.

FUTURE LAYOUT.

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O.H. ATHLETICS CLUB

(Affiliated to the A.A.A. and the Middlesex County A.A.)

Team Captain: D. COOPER-JONES, 58 Hale Lane, N.W.7.

Tel. : MILl Hill 3343.

Hon. Sec.: B. Sacks, 69 Tanfield Avenue, N.W.2. Tel. : GLAdstone 7180.

Hon. Treas.: R. FRESCO, 3 Ashworth Road, Maida Vale, W.9.

The Club has now successfully completed its first season. It was an entirely new venture and the results have been most satisfactory. We have made a very fair showing against the considerably larger and longer established clubs with which we have competed. It has to be realised that there is a very serious lack of training facilities in this country. Previous to the formation of the Club, any Old Boy keen on Athletics had to join one of the few large clubs or else give up any attempt to compete in active Athletics. Unfortunately, by far the majority of those who showed any talent at School chose the latter course, especially during the war years. The result has been that the Club has drawn almost entirely upon present members of the School, or on those who have only recently left, for its support.

Other clubs have been most helpful and sympathetic towards our efforts in creating a fixture list. In addition to the eight fixtures published in the previous edition of *The SKYLARK*, a further match was held on July 24th against Shaftesbury Harriers and Eton Manor Harriers. This meeting included junior and youth events, and the Club had the satisfaction of beating Eton Manor, though losing to Shaftesbury. Especially worthy of mention amongst the season's fixtures was the Inter-Old Boys' Match at Merton Park on July 19th. Despite the difficulty caused by several of the most experienced members being on holiday, a small team of stalwarts came fifth out of six Old Boys' Clubs competing. This was a very good first performance, as several of London's leading athletes were amongst the talent ranged against us.

The Club now has a membership of fifty-five, and if this is maintained, and training is taken seriously, the talent already apparent in the Club will develop into a very useful nucleus for future seasons. It is too early to name many particular performances by club members, but the fine running by J. Stagg in the senior section and P. Taylor in the junior section has already been a great asset to the Club.

The thanks of the Club are once again due to Mr. Crossman for his advice and assistance. Any Old Boy interested in joining the Club is asked to contact the Hon. Secretary. It is especially hoped that some of the older members will give the Club their honorary, if not active, support.

D. L. COOPER-JONES.

O.H. BOXING CLUB

Hon. Sec.: P. FREITAG, "Roseberry," 128 Hempstead Road, Watford, Herts.

The progress of the Boxing Club can be very briefly but rather disappointingly summarised. The support which was awaited, as a result of the appeal in last term's SKYLARK, has not been forthcoming in sufficient strength to indicate any interest in furthering this Club from the paper stage to the stage of an active Club functioning under the impetus of its own membership.

As a result it has been decided to leave the appeal open until the spring, and then terminate the Club unless any active interest is indicated in the meantime.

Any enquiries will be welcomed, and anybody who knows of any Old Haberdasher who is likely to be interested, but is unlikely to have had the O.H.B.C. brought to his notice, is invited to get in touch with the Secretary and supply any further particulars.

O.H. CRICKET CLUB

Hon. Sec.: D. A. BLESSLEY, 7 Oakmead Gardens, Mill Hill, N.W.7.

O.H.C.C. played 14 matches in 1950, the 1st XI winning four, losing five and drawing two, while the 2nd XI won one and lost two.

These moderate results must be accepted so long as it is not possible to field the same team in successive matches, and that apart, some very enjoyable cricket was played. Remarkably enough in such a poor summer, not one game was affected by rain.

The customary pleasant matches were played at Bledlow and Croxley Green, and new fixtures against North Mimms and Private Banks proved successful and popular. Mussett, Spratt, Parker, Van Weede and Windett all played useful innings—Mussett making the season's top score (65 not out) *v.* North Mimms. Birlo and Ward played only one match each, but both made over 50 in their respective single innings.

Stanley proved a welcome addition to the bowling strength and often bowled better than his figures showed. Spratt, Windett and Russell also bowled well on occasions. John Liddington again kept wicket in most of the matches and is improving all the time. R. Shelton proved a useful substitute for Liddington in the two matches against O.M.T's. and Private Banks. The most useful new recruit was C. Russell who showed much promise and above all was keen.

Next year there are new opponents in Pinner, Barnet and Old Albanians and a programme of 16 matches has been arranged.

The time is rapidly approaching when the problem of a home ground will become all-important. So far it has not been possible to play at Chase Lodge in the School holidays, but the O.H.C.C. is

earnestly hoping that as soon as the Rugby Club has settled its own ground worries it will be possible to play O.H.C.C. home matches at Elstree.

Once again it must be stressed how vital it is to obtain all possible support from cricketers leaving School. It can be readily imagined in what plight the Rugby Club would find itself, for instance if all or nearly all the best Rugby players joined a local N.W. London club. The Hon. Secretary will be pleased to hear from any Old Boy who wishes to turn out for O.H.C.C. next summer when the Club looks forward to another enjoyable and successful season.

D. A. BLESSLEY.

CRICKET RESULTS 1950

<i>Bledlow</i> 77 (Stanley 6 for 13, Van Weede 3 for 15).	O.H. 52. <i>National Bank</i> 74 (Stanley 3 for 14, Howard 3 for 11).	<i>Lost by 25 runs.</i> <i>Won by 21 runs.</i>
O.H. 95 (Dunsford 25)		
O.H. 115 (Van Weede 28).	<i>Totteridge</i> 69 (Stanley 5 for 18).	<i>Won by 46 runs.</i>
O.H. 178 (Birlo 57, Spratt 44).	<i>Private Banks</i> 157 for 9 (Spratt 4 for 40).	<i>Match Drawn.</i>
O.H. 157 for 7 dec. (Ward 52, Van Weede 37).	O.M.T. 158 for 4 (Spratt 3 for 31)	<i>Lost by 6 wks.</i>
O.H. 125 for 5 dec. (Mussett 50 not out, Windett 38 not out).	<i>School</i> 86 (Windett 5 for 13).	<i>Won by 39 runs.</i>
<i>Old Rutlishians</i> 179 for 9 dec. (Windett 4 for 64, Stanley 3 for 49).	O.H. 90 for 8 (Russell 27).	<i>Match Drawn.</i>
<i>Mill Hill Village</i> 134 (Russell 5 for 34).	O.H. 85 (Parker 30).	<i>Lost by 49 runs.</i>
O.H. v. <i>Albanian Association</i> , <i>Won.</i> v. <i>Sinclairians</i> , <i>Lost.</i>		
O.H. 2nd XI v. <i>Mill Hill Village IV</i> , <i>Won.</i> v. <i>School II</i> , <i>Lost.</i> v. <i>Albanian Association</i> , <i>Lost.</i>		

O.H. LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Hon. Sec.: P. FREITAG, "Roseberry," 128 Hempstead Road, Watford, Herts.

The close season has been spent in gauging the support and interest shown in the formation of this Club throughout the H.O.B.C. This support has been forthcoming in a surprisingly large way. Those actively interested in the formation of the Club number approximately 25 and the passive interest evinced indicates that this figure may well be quadrupled within two playing seasons of this important sport and social function of the O.H.

Courts have been constructed at Chase Lodge as part of the War Memorial Appeal, and should be ready for play soon. The Headmaster has kindly placed these courts at the disposal of all

Old Boys during the evenings and on Saturdays, and it is hoped that many will make use of the amenities offered to them both there and at School where play is usual on Thursday evenings before and after the rugger seasons.

Fixtures are contemplated for the coming season and a General Meeting will be called in February to settle further details. Meanwhile, any O.H. interested is urged to send in his name and address, date of leaving and tennis experience so that he may be included on our mailing list, and be kept informed of the Club's programme and progress.

O.H. ROWING CLUB

OFFICERS 1950-51

Captain: I. M. GLOINSON ; *Hon. Sec.:* M. J. DARE.

Hon. Sec., Canoe Sec.: A. R. B. CLOOTE ; *Hon. Treas.:* J. CAULFIELD.

Committee: R. APPLETON, P. H. CLIFFORD, W. R. GIBBON, D. R. S. HARPER, J. MANWARING.

As so many of our members have found it impossible to turn up consistently for training because of the great demands made upon the free time of our predominantly young members, the O.H.R.C. has affiliated to the Mortlake R.C., and is not yet rowing as an Old Boys Club. This provides a temporary solution to our difficulty, and ensures that our members acquire rowing experience and can enjoy all the facilities offered by an established club, until we obtain sufficient members to form a separate club.

During this summer's regatta season the Mortlake R.C. had a very successful Junior VIII, including three Old Boys; and for part of the time an O.H. cox. A fifth O.H. would have been in the crew but for his National Service. This VIII rowed as juniors at the following regattas :—

June 3rd Chiswick Amateur Regatta—beaten in the finals by 1 length by Ibis, after winning 3 heats.

10th Richmond and Twickenham Regatta—beaten in the finals by 2 lengths by Staines, after winning 3 heats.

July 1st Kingston R.C. Amateur Regatta—beaten in the final by $\frac{3}{4}$ length by Marlow, after winning 3 heats.

18th Kingston Borough Regatta—won in the finals from Twickenham
and 19th by $\frac{3}{4}$ length, after winning 3 heats.

22nd Staines Regatta—having won the Juniors, rowed Junior Seniors, in which they were beaten in the semi-finals by $\frac{3}{4}$ length by Lensbury, after winning 2 heats.

29th Amateur Regatta—beaten in the finals by 2 lengths by Henley, after winning 3 heats.

In addition one O.H. rowed in the coxless pairs at Chiswick A.R. and Putney Town Regatta, reaching the finals in both.

Old Boys and members of the School competed in the Mortlake R.C. Opening VIII's, on April 22nd, and the Club Regatta, on September 23rd, and three of them won cups.

This record is very encouraging and undoubtedly justifies the efforts being made. It indicates that in a year or so there will probably be enough able oarsmen to permit the O.H.R.C. to branch out on its own. In the meantime we earnestly request all who are interested to contact M. J. Dare or Mr. Keevil. Whatever stage you have reached in rowing you will be welcome and can be assured of a place in a boat.

Our thanks are due to J. Weinstein for his services to the Club. Because of pressure of work he has had, unfortunately, to resign his post as Hon. Secretary.

Notices of the Club's future plans and activities will be circulated in due course and also published in the next issue of the Old Boys' Notes.

O.H. SWIMMING CLUB

Hon. Sec.: M. CHISM, 133 Hendon Way, N.W.2.

Captain: N. M. DICKIE ; *Vice-Captain:* C. JARRETT ; *Hon. Treas.:* D. KEEN

In its first season the Club's results were extremely satisfactory due to the gratifying support received. The number of members required to make up a swimming team is usually only small and so many keen swimmers were unable to take part in a match this season. But it is hoped that if this enthusiasm is maintained we shall be able to raise additional teams.

The only match lost was that *v.* the School, which clearly illustrated what regular training can do. It was unfortunate that the match fixed with the Bank of England had to be cancelled as the School bath was closed during August for re-tiling. The Club's thanks are due to the Headmaster and the School authorities for so kindly allowing the Club the use of the bath for training and matches.

<i>Results :</i>	<i>O.H. v. Old Merchant Taylors'</i>	...	<i>Won</i>
	<i>v. School</i>	...	<i>Lost</i>
	<i>v. Old Fullerians</i>	...	<i>Won</i>
	<i>v. Old Blues</i>	...	<i>Won</i>
	<i>v. Old Whitgiftians</i>	...	<i>Won</i>

HABERDASHERS' OLD BOYS' LODGE

(No. 3362)

Secretary: J. N. GREEN, 41 Chichele Road, N.W.2.

The year now closing under the Mastership of Frederick L. Green will be remembered for two events of sadness and two of pleasure. The sad events were the loss of two of our most respected members, George Clark in his 82nd year, and Jack Miller in his 50th. Each had been most active in support of the work of the Lodge and constant in attendance at its meetings.

The pleasurable events were the admittance of the Headmaster into the Lodge, and the sponsoring of the Old Askean Lodge for Old Boys of our sister school at Hatcham.

W. H. J. Duncombe, who has served the Club for many years as Registrar has been elected Master of the Lodge for the ensuing year and will be installed in December. He is assured of a full year of work.

O.H. NEWS

News of Old Boys and their activities will be welcomed by the O.H. Correspondent to THE SKYLARK, A. G. Jenkins, 36 Fordington Road, Highgate, N.6.

PERSONAL

DR. G. W. BODEN has returned to London to take up an appointment at London Hospital.

F. A. COLLARD (1922-28)—Chartered Architect ; Commissioned in R.E. during war ; at present in Civil Engineering Department (Nigerian Railway) of H.M. Colonial Service.

N. R. PARKER was selected to play for Middlesex County Rugby XV *v.* Hampshire and Sussex. Parker and P. J. Goodman also played for Middlesex against Staffordshire.

BIRTHS

SPEAIGHT—On October 3rd, 1950, at Helsby, Cheshire, to the wife of Geo. Speaight, a third daughter (Bridget Georgina).

SPIERS—To Nancy (nee Sewell), wife of Squadron-Leader G. W. Spiers, R.A.F., at Tidworth, a son (Malcolm George Howard).

DEATHS

CLARKE—On August 27th, 1950, at London Hospital, George J. Clarke, aged 82.

We also regret to learn through the H.O.B.C. Register of the deaths of ELLIS POLLITT and B. P. W. WHITE.

IN MEMORIAM

We deeply regret to record the death of JOHN THOMAS VENESS MILLER (1910-1914) who died at Zurich on May 19th, 1950, aged 50. Well remembered by boys and parents of his generation as a very fine singer, an indispensable member of the choir and an individual performer of outstanding merit at all School concerts and plays, Jack Miller was worthy of his place as a Foundation Scholar. His contemporaries and teachers know that he could have attained the highest academic honours but he chose to leave school early to embark on a business career and, on his return from the short period of service on the Western Front in 1918 that his age permitted, his rise to a responsible position in the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company was without parallel.

Despite the demands of his work which involved a great deal of travel and brought him in touch with an ever-growing circle of friends he retained fully his interest in and loyalty to the School and regularly attended functions of the Old Boys' Club. Initiated into the Old Boys' Lodge in 1920 he became Master in 1938. Of no one could it be more truthfully said that he was a devoted husband, son and brother, a kind father and a loyal friend. The epitome of all these virtues a man would wish his son to possess, his early death is deeply mourned by all who knew him. He married in 1923 Kathleen who survives him together with a son, Ian, who served in Burma in 1945.

AMENDMENT TO WAR REGISTER

WYNNE-HUGHES, R.—This entry should be deleted. The officer is already entered on page 29 as Hughes, Robert W. Colonel Hughes has now legally dropped the name of Wynne and this entry should therefore read

HUGHES, ROBERT, 1917-20.—Details as before.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES

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